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Staff photo by JOHN FRESSE

From left, Jon Soles, president of the Granite City Jaycees; Milton Kauahi, national vice president; and Carl Beatty, Granite City chapter community action vice president.

Jaycees make big comeback

By Scott Kelly
Staff writer

Developing leaders is what the Junior Chamber of Commerce is all about. Recently, Milton Kauahi, one of 10 national vice presidents for the Jaycees, visited various chapters in Illinois, including the one in Granite City, to promote that concept.

"We're looking to strengthen our chapter," he said. "That's one of the biggest reasons why I'm here."

Kauahi, who is from Hawaii, is assigned to Alaska, Hawaii, New York, Pennsylvania and Oklahoma. The VPs also get special assignments throughout the year. Illinois is one of his special assignment

states.

"We're an organization for young men and women between the ages of 21 and 39, and that is the only requirement to be a Jaycee."

"We try to involve younger people in the community. What we've found is that if you don't belong to a civic organization by the time you are 30, 50 percent of those people do not go on to be part of any civic organization."

Civic organizations including the Jaycees, the Rotary, Lions, Kiwanis and Optimists have seen a decline over the past 10 years, he said.

The Jaycees are in a unique and critical position,

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Jaycees fast facts

- The Junior Chamber of Commerce stresses self improvement, community involvement and fellowship.
- Any man or woman between 21 and 39 can join.
- Jaycees were founded Jan. 21, 1920 in St. Louis.
- The Granite City chapter was founded 50 years ago.
- The Illinois Jaycees has more than 250 chapters and more than 8,000 members. Worldwide, there are 400,000 members in 130 countries.

Public given chance to recycle oil

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Madison County residents who do not know what to do with used motor oil can drop it off Saturday in Granite City.

The Madison County Solid Waste Recycling Program and Safety-Kleen are sponsoring a motor oil collection from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Granite City Elks Lodge 1063 parking lot, 4801 Maryville Road.

Madison County Solid Waste Coordinator Denise McCleary said it is important to properly dispose of old motor oil.

"You cannot dispose of used motor oil in landfills," she said. "The problem is, the folks who change oil at home, they don't know what to do

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Denise McCleary
solid waste coordinator

with it."

She said most full-service service stations, many auto parts stores and the quick oil-change facilities will accept used motor oil, but many people are uncomfortable using them.

"People feel uncomfortable

using it," she said. "If you're not a customer of a Rapid Lube you feel strange taking it there."

She said they were anticipating a large turnout for the collection.

"I'm hoping that folks really take advantage of this, because there probably won't be another oil collection in Granite City for another year."

She said residents can bring the used motor oil in any container, but they would only accept motor oil.

In a related matter, the recycling program will hold opening ceremonies for two recycling stations on Friday. The new stations will be in

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Alderman's body found in Missouri

Gardner victim of one-car crash

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A Madison alderman reported missing Sunday was found dead at the scene of a one-car accident in Perry County, Mo. Tuesday afternoon.

Kelvin Gardner, 45, who represented the city's Fourth Ward since April, had been reported missing Sunday by his wife.

Gardner had gone to Texas Friday to pick up the car, which had been disabled and repaired. He reportedly called his wife at about 1:40 a.m. from the Poplar Bluff, Mo. area Saturday to say he had a flat tire and would be home in a few hours.

The car was found at about 1:30 p.m. Tuesday by a Missouri Highway Patrol trooper, said Madison Police Chief Steve Skoklo.

According to MHP reports, Gardner had been northbound on Interstate 55 about 75 miles south of St. Louis when his car left the road and crashed in a creek bed.

The car became airborne and Gardner was ejected from the vehicle.

The exact time of the accident has not been

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determined. Skoklo said he was told an autopsy had been scheduled for Wednesday.

At Madison City Hall, the flags were lowered to half-staff Wednesday, and black crepe draped the windows.

Mayor John Hamm said Gardner would be missed.

"He was pretty active on a day-to-day basis with the council," Hamm said.

Gardner, an employee of Spectralite Consortium Inc., started his service with the city as a building inspector.

In April he was elected as an alderman for the city's Fourth Ward.

Hamm said Gardner continued to take part in the city's efforts to demolish derelict buildings.

Gardner served on the Streets and Sanitation, Police and Fire, and Health committees.

Funeral arrangements had not been announced as of Wednesday afternoon.

Flags in Madison were lowered to half-staff, and black crepe lined the City Hall windows on Wednesday, in honor of Kelvin Gardner.



Staff photo by JOHN FRESSE

Autumn beauty

Juanita Jacobs walks with her dog Sammy past a stand of colorful trees along Burne Drive in Pontoon Beach. The leaves on area trees have begun to fall, having reached the peak of their color sometime last week.

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FULLER'S FORECAST

John Fuller, Meteorologist, KSDR NewsChannel 5

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
38° 31°	37° 28°	41° 24°	43° 27°

Salute

Matthew S. James

Pvt. Matthew S. James has graduated from the U.S. Marine Corps basic training in San Diego.

While in training James earned the Rifle Expert badge. He had the top score in his platoon.

James will soon take Marine Combat training in San Diego. After completion of this training, he will undergo schooling in Pensacola, Fla., for Aviation Support.

James is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Steven James of Granite City.



Price begins battle for 12th District

By Cheryl A. Moody
Staff writer

Is the Price right — Bill Price for U.S. Congressman in the 12th District? That is the question voters will face during primary elections on March 17.

Price is the son of the late long-line Congressman Melvin Price. The major difference is Bill's father spent his 44 years from 1944 to 1988 — in politics as a Democrat and Bill is running on the Republican ticket.

While some have called Price a Democrat dressed in

Republican clothes, Price said he is running on the Republican ticket because of his dissatisfaction with Democratic leadership. More specifically, he said government is too big and spends too much money.

In fact, Price said the main difference between himself and incumbent Congressman Jerry Costello (D-12) is that Costello favors big government.

"We need to continue to return the power, money and influence back from Washington D.C. to the states and local communities where better val-

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NEWS IN REVIEW

Editor's note: News in Review provides a summary of some of the past week's stories. This column is intended for out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday Press-Record-Journals.

River bridge hearing set

A public hearing on the corridor protection process for the Illinois approach to a proposed new Mississippi River bridge has been set for 7 to 8 p.m. Nov. 19 at the Cahokia Mounds Interpretive Center, 30 Ramsey Road at the Cahokia Mounds Historic Site.

The proposed bridge would cross the river south of the McKinley Bridge and connect to Illinois 3, Illinois 203, Interstate 55/70 and Interstate 64 in Illinois. It would connect to I-70, 14th and Tucker Boulevard in Missouri.

The corridor protection hearing helps identify the actual land that would be affected by the bridge.

Deal will mean new industry in city

This month, Granite City will likely approve the sale of 18 acres to Midwest Metal Coatings Inc.

The land currently lies in the future Granite City Industrial Park along Highway 3, and city officials say it is the first step in developing light industry in the Industrial Tax Increment Finance District.

The sale was to be formally approved at last week's City Council meeting, but, atypically, too few aldermen were present to pass the ordinance authorizing the sale. The ordinance received a first reading instead, and could receive a final reading and passage at the Nov. 18 regular council meeting.

Midwest is expected to build a \$12 million, 92,000 square-foot steel treating building facility that would provide numerous construction jobs and at least 60 high-paying manufacturing jobs.

Marshals sweep Venice, Madison

At least six people were arrested on outstanding warrants during a sweep by U.S. Marshals in Venice and Madison Nov. 5.

Another person — who had fled Venice police during a routine traffic stop — was arrested after fleeing a house he was hiding in when marshals came to the door seeking another suspect.

MidAmerica Airport dedicated

After more than 10 years of planning and building, more than 1,000 people participated in the dedication of MidAmerica Airport Saturday.

MAA is located off Interstate 64, along Highway 4 just outside of Mascoutah in St. Clair County.

TWA, Ozark Airlines, an Air Mobility Command C-17 and private chartered airplanes carrying Gov. Jim Edgar and other officials were among the first to land on the new 10,000-foot runway at MAA.

State and local officials were the first passengers to land at MAA when the C-17 they were flying in landed at 10 a.m. Saturday. Mayors from the surrounding communities and county officials were on board.

Appeal filed in National City case

An appeal of a ruling allowing the dissolution of National City was filed with the Illinois Supreme Court, according to one of the attorneys involved in the case.

On Oct. 3, the Fifth District Appellate Court in Mt. Vernon ruled in favor of a lower court decision approving a motion by St. Clair County to dissolve the village.

That action came after the county held a special census in August 1996 showing no residents living within the village's boundaries. A minimum of 50 is required. The 1990 census showed a population of 57.

The Supreme Court does not have to hear the case. If the appeal is denied, the Appellate Court decision stands.

Rain no bother on Old Newsboys Day

Dreary weather hovering over southwestern Illinois could not dampen the spirits nor curb the enthusiasm of the committed volunteers selling Old Newsboy's Day editions of the *Suburban Journals* Thursday.

While motorists and other commuters made their way to work, hundreds of people took time out of their schedules to help generate much-needed funds for local charities. In addition to corporate sponsors and other major supports crucial to making this annual event a success, countless individual efforts demonstrated the community's willingness to get involved.

Schnuck's Markets and Hardee's Restaurants led the charge, with a host of small- and medium-sized businesses bringing up the rear. And the military theme associated with this year's fund drive was not lost on the many National Guard and Reserve personnel whose energy and motivation made the 1997 Old Newsboy's Day better than ever.

NEWS BRIEFS

Madison County

HOMETOWN HEROES: The 1998 Hardee's Hometown Heroes Awards begins soon. The event, a collaborative project involving KPLR-TV (Channel 11), Hardee's Food Stores and the *Suburban Journals*, recognizes unsung heroes, people whose names are rarely emblazoned in headlines or bandied about on broadcast media for their heroic deeds.

The annual event begins Nov. 7 and runs through Jan. 31. Winners in 25 categories will be selected by an independent panel at Harris Slowe College.

The categories include personal bravery, community service, demonstrated patriotism, honesty, human rights, education, arts and humanities, public safety, substance abuse prevention and more.

ADOPT A PET: Madison County Humane Society is holding an adoption day from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 15, at PetsMart in O'Fallon. Puppies, dogs, kittens and cats are available for adoption. The cost of adopting a dog is \$60 and includes a rabies shot, DHLPP, collar, leash, ID tag and \$15 spay/neuter deposit. Cat adoptions are \$40 and include FVRCP shots, collar, ID tag and \$15 spay/neuter deposit. Purebreds and declawed cats are available. For more information, call the Madison County Humane Society at 956-4405.

NEWS

Hunt is on

University's chancellor search panel appointed

By Linda N. Weller
Telegraph staff writer

President Ted Sanders took the first step Nov. 6 in SIUE's long, tedious journey to find a new chancellor for the Edwardsville campus.

Sanders named 10 faculty, staff, administrators and alumni to serve on the Chancellor Search Committee to find a replacement for Nancy Belick, who left Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville in August.

Belick now is chancellor of the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Since Sept. 1, David Werner has served as chancellor. Werner is the former provost and vice president for academic affairs. University policy dictates that Werner and others who succeed outgoing chancellors cannot be candidates for the permanent position.

Donald Beggs is serving as chancellor on the Carbondale campus until a permanent chancellor is named, and he also is not a candidate for the position.

University spokesman Jack Dyer said that after student representatives are named to the committee, Sanders will give the group its "charge." Work then will begin on setting a timeline and establishing a list of criteria for the candidates, besides having a doctorate.

The committee, working with Sanders throughout the process, will advertise in

"It's not like a business where we can go out and hire a CEO. We have a culture that calls for constituencies ... to participate. Each brings to the table different ideas they want to see in a chancellor."

Jack Dyer
SIUE spokesman

national professional publications for educators, he said.

Sanders selected members of the committee from among nominations submitted to him by the governing bodies of the university and the alumni association.

Those named to the Edwardsville search committee are: Shirley Portwood, professor, historical studies; Jerry Pogatsnik, associate professor, physics; Marsha Puro, associate professor, accounting; Allen Otsuka, associate professor, dental medicine; John Borsa,

assistant professor, educational leadership; Julia Hansen, associate professor, library and information services; Willie Epps, director, University Services to East St. Louis; Mary Stanley, secretary, School of Nursing; Harlan Bengtson, dean, School of Engineering; and John Fruit, president of the Madison County Magna Bank, representing alumni.

"If you watch what is happening in Carbondale, the same will happen in Edwardsville," Dyer said of the slow search process.

"It's not like a business where we can go out and hire a CEO (chief executive officer). We have a culture that calls for constituencies involving faculty, staff, administrators, students and alumni to participate. Each brings to the table different ideas they want to see in a chancellor."

The Carbondale search committee is looking at materials submitted by about 20 hopefuls. Dyer said the committee hopes to have the candidate pool narrowed to four by early 1998.

He said he does not know when a chancellor might be named for either campus.

A new chancellor at SIUE will have to deal with issues related to on-campus student residents increasing in number, keeping the university affordable and accessible to students and working with tight funding constraints from the state.

Girl Scouts get TUFF

More than 145 Metro East Girl Scouts will get TUFF and show off their athletic abilities Saturday at Belleville Area College.

Several scouts from the Granite City area are expected to participate.

While sports has always been a component of the Girl Scout program, Girl Scouts of the USA launched a nationwide initiative called GirlSports to further stress the importance of sports and a healthy lifestyle.

TUFF, which stands for Teaming Up for Fun, gives scouts age 9-17 an opportunity to practice and train in six different sports including archery, basketball, soccer, softball, tennis and volleyball. The ultimate goal is to promote sports, health and fitness as well as help girls develop the self-confidence and skills they need in the future.

The benefits of good health and exercise cannot be overestimated, said Sheila Holm, TUFF event coordinator. By introducing the girls to sports at a young age, the Girl Scouts hope the youths find a sport they love and continue to play it beyond age 30.

The River Bluffs Girl Scout Council is one of 114 councils nationwide granted funding by Girl Scouts of the USA to conduct sports day. River Bluffs is a nonprofit organization serving more than 10,000 girls and 2,500 adult volunteers in Jersey, Calhoun, Madison, St. Clair and parts of Macoupin, Clinton and Randolph counties.



Photo by SHIRLEY VALENCIA

Honorary helmet

The Mexican Honorary Commission of Granite City presented the Granite City Fire Department with \$1,000 toward the purchase of the smoke detector and movement helmet. Pictured above are John Valencia, left, president of the Mexican Honorary Commission, Capt. Jim Pyle and Danny Worthen.

Leaders to examine area's future

"Economic Development in Southwestern Illinois and The Positive Impact It Has On the St. Louis Region," will be the topic of an informational program Nov. 21 at McKendree College.

Issues to be addressed include, but are not limited to, MidAmerica Airport, Metro-Link, Gateway International

Raceway and a new downtown Mississippi River Bridge.

The program will feature St. Louis Mayor Clarence Harmon, U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello, (D-Ill.), Illinois State Sen. Frank Watson, (R-65, Carlyle). Free parking will be available in Bothwell Chapel Parking Lot.

Registration, continental

breakfast and networking are scheduled 7:30 a.m.-8:15 a.m.

Cost is \$15 per person and reservations are required by Monday, Nov. 17. Space is limited and reservations will be taken on a first come, first serve basis.

Call Michelle Fredeking at (314) 444-1148 for more information and to RSVP.

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Metro East

PHONE-A-THON: James Aufferberg, chairman of the Illinois Center for Autism's (ICA) Annual "Call A Friend and Help A Child" Phone-A-Thon, is asking for everyone's participation.

On Thursday, Nov. 20, volunteers will gather at the St. Clair Auto Mall in

Metropolitan area

the Congress of Governments: The East-West Gateway Coordinating Council will convene the third annual St. Louis Regional Congress of Governments on Nov. 14 in St. Louis.

O'Fallon to call their friends and help the children at the ICA during the fourth annual phone-a-thon. Volunteers will ask their friends to make a donation to benefit individuals with autism. ICA's goal is to raise \$10,000. The event will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Autism is a lifelong disability that affects about 15 in 10,000 people. ICA serves individuals with autism from a 10-county area in Southern Illinois. To volunteer or to make a donation, please call ICA at 398-7500.

designed to provide participants with a variety of opportunities to exchange information and ideas to further the development of a coordinated regional policy agenda. Special emphasis will be placed on the role of government in determining and implementing the emerging St. Louis regional agenda.

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NEWS

Aery to step aside

County treasurer won't seek re-election

By Mary Brasse
Telegraph staff writer

After garnering the appointment from a field of Republican hopefuls in January, Madison County's treasurer said he will step aside next year and let the voters pick his successor.

Bill Aery, who was appointed in January to fill the unexpired seat left by John Shimkus' election to Congress, said Monday he will not be a candidate in the March primary.

"I kicked this thing around a long time," said Aery, who took out petitions and was preparing to file by the December deadline.

"Nothing happened. I just decided to run out the term and not run in the next primary. There was no pressure. It was strictly my own decision," he said.

Chief Deputy Treasurer Wes Tucker of Wood River, who had Republican backing when Aery was appointed, said Monday he is considering the vacancy "very seriously."

"I'm talking with party leaders and about the type of campaign that will have to be put together. I will definitely decide in the next few days," he said.

Madison County auditor Fred Bathon announced his candidacy for treasurer in September

"My wife and I just decided we wanted to take a little time off. You don't live forever."

Bill Aery

and picked up Democratic support for the party's nomination in the March primary.

And even before a formal announcement of candidacy, Tucker has picked up support from Madison County Republican Chairman Ed Ragsdale, who called Tucker "extremely well qualified."

Tucker has served under Shimkus and Aery and has done a fine job, he said.

Ragsdale said he sat down and talked with Aery last week and understood what he wished to do. Everything's fine, he said, praising Aery's contributions.

A sweetened pension plan for Madison County's elected officials approved this summer had nothing to do with Aery's decision to step down, he said.

"I was retired when I came in here and put a hold on Social Security and a pension then," he said.

"My wife and I just decided we wanted to take a little time off. You don't live forever."

Aery, 67, said he would have

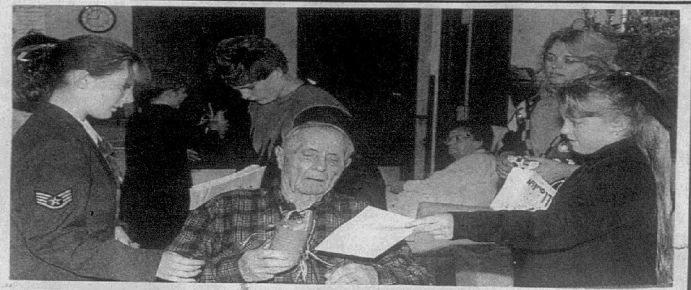
been 72 at the end of the next four-year term if elected treasurer. He has represented Godfrey for 14 years on the Madison County Board and moved past Tucker, County Board member Homer Henke and Robert Chappell, deputy treasurer for investments, to win the treasurer's appointment.

"I really enjoy representing the people of Madison County," he said, adding that the highlight of his career was his appointment as treasurer, the only countywide seat held by a Republican.

Aery, a retired business executive, discounted health problems, except for an artificial knee that does not work well. After the election, he plans to remain active, possibly on a county commission or in charitable work.

"I am not just going to disappear," he said.

"I hope to be active in my community and in the county in the future. I hope to stay actively involved in politics, but on the sidelines."



Better to give than to receive

Staff photos by JOHN FRESE

Above, Sara Demaree, left, and Amy Baugh, right, hand one of the residents at Colonial Care Center a Halloween gift and card. The girls visited the seniors with their Mitchell School fifth-grade class and did a little reverse trick-or-treating, giving candy and gifts out instead of receiving them. At left, Baugh parades down a hall at Colonial Care center with a decoration she made to place on the door of one of the residents.



Wanted man captured in Mississippi

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

A former Troy man who allegedly bilked area residents out of an estimated \$500,000 and then gambled the money away is in the custody of Mississippi authorities.

Neal M. Burgard, 35, was captured Nov. 3 in a casino in that city. Police had been tipped by a relative of Burgard's that he may be in that area, attempting to win back some of the money he lost.

An investigator with the

Tunica County Sheriff's Department could not be reached for comment.

Collinsville police, who learned of Burgard's capture last week, said the suspect is expected to return Friday to Illinois. He was charged Oct. 15 in Madison County with one count of theft over \$10,000.

Burgard's bail was set at \$100,000 on the felony offense. That charge stems from a Collinsville case in which an 80-year-old woman allegedly lost about \$60,000 in the investment scam between January 1995 and May of this year.

While no other charges have

been filed, area police are investigating claims of other victims that could total \$500,000, including the Collinsville case.

Among those are a 76-year-old Belleville woman who lost \$130,000 over a five-year period and a Mascoutah family who were swindled out of \$90,000.

Burgard had operated a legitimate insurance business, Burgard and Associates, with offices in Collinsville, Troy and Belleville.

Authorities have said that Burgard allegedly gained the trust of his victims by selling them insurance policies.

Once he had that trust, Burgard allegedly used it to get financial information from the clients with particular interest in their assets.

"We're definitely glad he's been caught," Collinsville Police Detective Sgt. Ron Borkowski said.

Borkowski said he was not aware of any charges Burgard may face in Tunica.

Burns says he understands the needs of downstaters

By Paul Mackie
Telegraph staff writer

Democrat gubernatorial candidate Jim Burns of Evanston said Tuesday he's in touch with the Metro East and would not ignore it if elected.

"I have a lot of friends (in Southern Illinois) because I grew up in McLeansboro," Burns said in an interview at The Telegraph.

"During the Neil Hartigan campaign (for governor) in 1990, I spent a lot of time particularly in the Metro-East area, so I made a lot of friends here."

"My message to voters in the Metro East is the same as it is all over the state. I'm not running a campaign to target any one part of the state." The 52-year-old Burns wants to do for the entire state what he has done in recent years as U.S. Attorney for Northern Illinois, a post for which he was selected by President Bill Clinton.

Burns is best known for his attacks on political and police corruption. In addition to jailing top leaders of Chicago's most ruthless street gangs, Burns led efforts to crack down on waste and fraud in government.

He was born in Quincy and moved with his family at an early age to McLeansboro. He earned a basketball scholarship to Northwestern University where he achieved All-American and Academic All-American honors. He played briefly with the Chicago Bulls before returning to law school at Northwestern.

Burns became an assistant U.S. Attorney in 1971, became chief of the Criminal Division in 1978 and resigned later that year to go into private practice. In 1990, he was the Democratic nominee for lieutenant governor as Hartigan's running mate.

In 1993, U.S. Senators Paul Simon and Carol Mosley-Braun recommended Burns to Clinton for U.S. Attorney for Northern Illinois, which is one of the largest federal prosecuting offices in the nation. After resigning from this post in August, Burns announced that he would run for governor in October.

"As a U.S. Attorney for four years, I couldn't do anything politically because I had to stay as independent and neutral as possible," Burns said. "I loved that job and I had to do a lot of thinking with my family about what I wanted to do."

"When I looked at this (upcoming governor's) race, I looked at the question of leadership and the public's cynical attitude toward government and I felt I wanted to be in a position where I could be governor."

Burns plans to work hard to improve education and stop crime if he is elected governor.

"Education will be an important issue," he said. "You want to make sure the money is getting to where it belongs. We need to make sure there is sufficient funding for our children, but we don't need to raise income taxes to improve our schools."

"The gangs are spreading to all over the state. We had quite a bit of success in disrupting the major gangs in Chicago — the Gangster Disciples, the Vice Lords, the Latin Kings."

"The closer you look at those gangs, you see they're spread ing. It's sort of like franchising. The GDs are, I think, the single-largest street gang in the country."

Burns also wants to focus on attracting new jobs along with maintaining the ones Illinois residents already have. Burns is one of four confirmed Democratic candidates who support in-land casinos, along with former Attorney General Roland Burris, John Schmidt, a one-time Justice Department official and an aide to Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley; and U.S. Rep. Glenn Poshard.

Burns said he believes that this is a good time to be a Democrat.

"The economy is doing pretty well and President Clinton's approval ratings are quite high, so I think it's going to be a good year in '98 for Democrats," he said.

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THE LAW AND YOU
By RICK REED
Attorney At Law

Recently a 17-year old girl called this office with a question regarding custody. She indicated that her parents had been divorced in Illinois three years earlier, and that her mother had obtained custody in the dissolution proceedings. She lived with her mother in Oregon, but she was visiting with her father for the summer in this area. She wished to remain with her father for her senior year in high school.

The question frequently arises as to whether a teenage child can remain with the non-custodial parent if the custodial parent does not agree to this living arrangement. In the case noted above, the girl wished to stay with her father, and the father also wished his daughter with him. The mother, however, refused to consent to this informal change of custody. The girl posed the question as to whether she or the father could get in trouble if she simply did not return to Oregon for her senior year in high school.

If the father in this situation wished to change custody, he would have to return to court to seek a modification of the original judgment of dissolution. In a case of this nature, if the court

felt it was in the best interests of the child to remain with the father, the original divorce decree could be modified. If the father allowed the daughter to live with him without returning to court, the mother could attempt to hold the father in contempt of court. A judge could sentence a non-custodial parent to a jail term for refusing to return the child to the custodial parent without benefit of a court order.

It should be noted that the parties might agree to a change of custody in a situation such as the one described above. There may be no need for a hearing if the parties reach an agreement. If the parties agreed it was best for the 17-year old to remain with her father and if the Judge felt it was in the best interest of the child, the Judge could sign a court order modifying the original decree.

By returning to court to have the original judgment of dissolution modified, the father would ensure that he would never be held in contempt of court for violating the original decree. In addition, the court could also modify the original child support obligation if it was decided the child should live with him.

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PARADE

COLUMN

Votes are in: Parades unite community like few things can

Local folks don't always turn out in droves at their polling places — this November's election being a case in point.

Turnout depends on a variety of things. Ify weather. National election or local. The degree of support or opposition to an issue on the ballot.

Neither do they tend to attend en masse the candidate's forums sponsored regularly by our League of Women Voters. I know countless numbers of born-and-bred Edwardsvillians who have never been to a City Council or Edwardsville School Board meeting.

But you want a turnout? Have a parade. I'm not being critical, I'm a bit of a push-over for them myself and always have been. Some of my earliest memories involve Memorial Day parades back in Dad's small Indiana hometown, and my only recollection of my paternal great-grandfather were connected to those, since he always drove down from Logansport to march with the local Grand Army of the Republic group.

Owing to the constrictions of deadlines, I have no idea as I write how big a crowd last night's Veteran's Day parade drew, but barring a blizzard, I'd guess the rate was pretty good. For one thing, Chuck Brazier organized it, and his expertise in the area is unrivaled. That's probably why he's called Chuck in charge.

For whatever reason, the Memorial Day parades of my childhood never seem to have caught on here. The high school homecoming parade is fair, and Little League, aside from participants and parents, draws minimal attention. The biggies in Edwardsville always seem to be the Halloween and Veteran's Day spectacles.

This year's Halloween parade was a knockout, pure and simple. Last year, I had to give up on the parade midway through the march, the weather was awful and while the parade itself was fine, I decided discretion really is the better part of valor and cut out rather than risk fanny-freeze.

Not so this year's Halloween: Mother Nature, the good witch, it matters not; nobody rained on this parade, and I was able to stick it out 'til the final fire truck passed.



Carol Clarkin

I can remember when the whole affair consisted chiefly of a comparatively small raggle-taggle-gaggle of small fry, some not even masked let alone costumed, and it was over in less than 20 minutes. No longer so, though the kids are still the major attraction, whether on foot or float, or simply lining the curbs along Main Street.

For the first time, I was struck with what a truly community affair this parade has become. I tend to question published estimates of some 20,000 viewers, but it was a big crowd, and additionally, a chance to see and talk with a number of friends we don't often see. Ghosts of Halloweens past perhaps?

A number of courteous folks had allowed me passage to curbside where I was able to join a couple of old friends, and as the parade float, or a man on my right tapped my shoulder and said, "I'll bet you don't remember me, Carol?" At first glance, I didn't (small wonder, since I probably haven't seen him in 20 years), but he gave me a small hint, and old times hadn't been forgotten after all.

We caught up a bit on each other's lives throughout the march, and I met his wife and lovely young daughter, and we parted affectionately.

The entire evening was a repeat of this minor reunion. At a party following the parade, amid the devils and witches and harem girls, I ran into at least four other old friends I hadn't seen in ages.

But nothing topped one of the highlights of the evening — for me AND a huge number of onlookers judging by the cheers from the crowd. The sight of Winston Brown riding the head of a procession. Waving, smiling, brand-new as he and all. Well, if not brand new, certainly as good as new.

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A JOURNAL EDITORIAL

MidAmerica has place in regional system

Recent delays at Lambert-St. Louis International Airport are further evidence that Mid-America Airport will play a key role in the development of a comprehensive metropolitan travel network. With winter storms and months of inclement weather ahead, the fledgling facility located just 18 miles from downtown St. Louis offers a realistic alternative to hub operations and other passenger and cargo carriers currently limited to Lambert.

It is not uncommon to reroute aircraft to secondary landing sites, such as Kansas City or Indianapolis, for a variety of reasons; not the least of which is bad weather conditions. The question is whether or not the political machinery determined to grow Lambert into a behemoth can set aside their fear of Mid-America's competitive potential and redirect business to the newly certified airport.

Nay-sayers and skeptics have attempted to minimize the vast possibilities that Mid-America represents by characterizing it as a "reliever airport" or an emergency option for flights scheduled at Lambert. Continued opposition to the proposed W-I-W expansion plan, and questions about the financial merit of same, suggest that feeding their cash cow may be the real emergency.

While proponents of the plan to expand Lambert argue that new construction will allow for the simultaneous landing and departure of two aircraft, Mid-America quietly reiterates that it already has that capability. Travelers circling the friendly skies of St. Louis, given the chance, would undoubtedly opt for an additional six-mile cab ride when faced with indefinite waits or inconvenient detours to other cities.

Certainly, no one is eager to see Lambert become obsolete. And,

likewise, few could make a case against maintaining the highest operational levels at TWA's home field. Still, recognition of the importance and promise that Mid-America holds is slow to come from those who represent themselves as champions of regional transportation services.

If Lambert is truly the *economic engine which drives the region's economy*, and the region's financial well-being not that of the St. Louis Airport Authority's is the priority, then the success of Mid-America must be looked on as additional revenue-generating horsepower.

Old Man Winter is about to graciously open the door for coordinated, and immediate, use of Mid-America Airport. Whether or not regional leadership cordially accepts the invitation remains to be seen.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Wants attitude reform

TO THE EDITOR: I would like to address the topic of campaign finance reform as a private citizen and a voter.

It certainly is not my intent to place blame on the Democratic or the Republican party or any other party. I personally think there is enough blame to go around so that no one need feel left out.

It seems both parties agree to the fact that problems exist in the area of campaign finance, but as to how to solve the problem they seem oceans apart.

It is rather amusing to watch the screaming blame-placing as the various house and senate committees debate these issues. The Republican Party, which is currently in control of the House and Senate, are saying it's the Democrats who are the problem; while everybody continues to scramble for more campaign contributions.

Certainly it is important that

candidates' views and issues reach the public, thereby allowing the individual voter to make an informed decision or choice of candidate or issue.

I think we can all agree that finances are of a necessity in any political campaign. Television time, literature, bumper stickers, buttons, advertising, the cost of headquarters, workers and on and on and on.

Therefore finances are a necessity. The problem arises from where and how these finances are obtained. Maybe it is time to look in the direction of public financing. If our leaders are so attracted to green maybe we should find every person that needs job, or health care, or that is tired of high taxes, crime and drugs, paint them green, then maybe they would start receiving some attention from the powers that be.

I understand that is a ridiculous analogy, but I feel very strongly if that were the case then the green people would be in the majority.

Maybe the time has come that we, the people, become concerned enough about issues and answers to become active-

ly involved in the political system by speaking out or contacting our representatives and elected leaders to express our views.

After all we are paying the bills.

SHERRY L. MEAGHER
Granite City

Believes voters were right

TO THE EDITOR:

The voters of Madison County are to be commended in voting down MetroLink expansion. County Board member (Harold) Byers deserves special thanks.

Without a doubt, approval of this issue would have resulted in an increase of the wasteful excesses of Madison County Transit and the nonprofit (organization) Agency for Community Transit.

Untold, thousands of our tax dollars are being spent to hire public relation and consulting firms to promote and justify special projects and "massages" the numbers for the district, ACT and RideFinders.

Should Proposition M have passed, it is very likely that another nonprofit (organization) like ACT would have been formed to make it more difficult for voters to know how the vast sums of taxes, the grants, are being spent.

If you doubt this, just look at the numbers of empty buses running around the county, along with the numbers of MCTD and ACT buses, RideFinders vans and private use vehicles sitting idle at any given time at their complex in Mitchell.

If the manager and responsible board members of MCTD, ACT and RideFinders claim to be so keen on keeping the populace informed, they should publish financial information, including salaries and benefits of these three entities.

After all, it's our tax money and we have a right to know without having to find out under the Freedom of Information Act and from the Illinois Attorney General's office.

DOUGLAS STOKES
Glen Carbon

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This is to the lady who is not interested in the *O'Fallon Journal Sound Off!* I would like to let her know in Lebanon, there are no buses that go from St. Clair County Lebanon, except one. There are none during the day, so I can get to college.

Band together

What will Granite City do to save the Armed Forces Museum of St. Louis from leaving the city? With Veterans' Day coming up, Granite City vets must rally together to save the Armed Forces Museum.

Collinsville circus?

Once again, the circus is coming back in Collinsville. No, it's not Barnum and Bailey but our so-called city leaders who want to ban leaf burning, and they want

to force you to pay \$1.75 a month. Not only during the fall months but all during the year. What about people who don't have the money to pay for it? What about people who live in apartments? Do they have to pay the circus tax also? Come on ring masters. Spend your time on better issues.

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PEOPLE



1997 De La Roche award recipient Obert Lay and his wife, Emily.



Leo Wolf and Betty Robertson admiring the thank-you gift presented to Leo and Sara Wolf as a corporate sponsor.



Ted Eilerman and Ingrid Bauer-Kemp enjoy the evening.

Magical evening honors doctors for service



Greg Collins sings "Before You Grow," a song written and sung by Kathie Lee Gifford to her daughter.

Health care does not magically appear for those with little or no medical insurance. Yet, in 1996, more than 18,000 such patients were treated at the Koch Family Health Center at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Many services at the Granite City center would be limited without the support from events such as the recent De La Roche Awards Gala, sponsored by St. Elizabeth.

Magician and master of ceremonies Chris Rayman dazzled the audience that included some of the region's most concerned community, industrial and medical leaders. They gathered to support the clinic and honor medical center physicians.

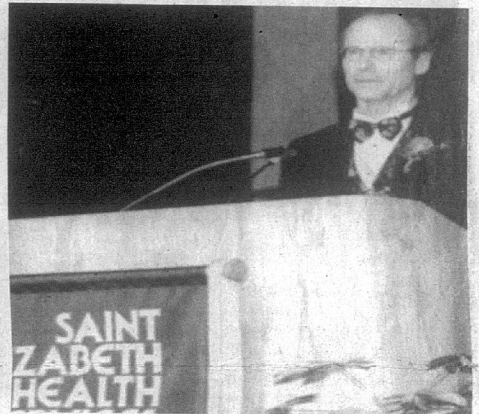
The biennial event held at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville honored three former Medical Center physicians: Maria Bauer and her late husband, former chief of staff Otto Bauer, and recently retired surgeon Obert Lay.

The De La Roche Award is named for Mother Marie De La Roche, who founded the Sisters of Divine Providence and devoted her life to community service and caring for the sick.

The award honors persons who exemplify the same spirit.



Maria Bauer (right), 1997 De La Roche award recipient, and Sister Mary Thomas, chairman of the board at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.



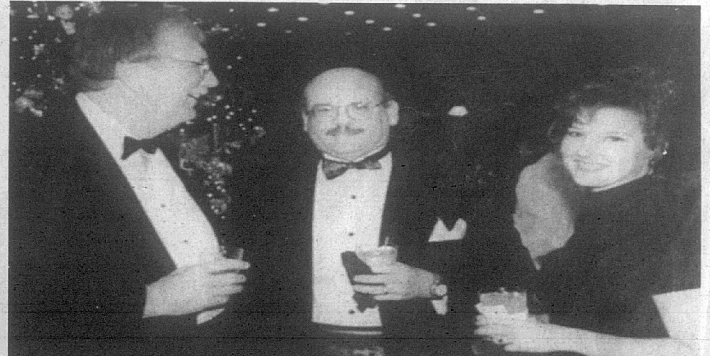
Dr. Joachim Bauer reads a poem he wrote for his parents, Drs. Maria and Otto Bauer, as part of the tribute.



Other business leaders enjoying the festivities were, from left, Leo and Pat Konzen of the Lueders, Robertson and Konzen law firm; and Darleare and Richard Kearns of Delivery Network.



Chris Rayman (right), master of ceremonies for the evening, and police officer John Apperson perform a magic trick.



Ted Eilerman talks with Peter von Gontard and Teresa Bartosiak of the Sandburg, Phoenix and von Gontard law firm.

NEWS

Chamber sets goals high

The Junior Chamber of Commerce has only one requirement. Members must be between 21 and 39.

Milton Kauahi, a national vice president of the Jaycees, explained the reasoning. "It seems the organizations' founder found himself in a vicious circle."

"Our founder, Hy Giessenbier, worked at a bank and he couldn't get promoted because he didn't have experience," Kauahi said. He wasn't given the experience, because they thought he was too young.

"So this Catch-22 has created an organization (for) young people. We as young people have ideas too," he said.

A youth can go to an organization or company and be told by older, more experienced people their idea has already been tried and didn't work.

"But that was then, this is now. We have new technology, new techniques, especially in this time and age," he said.

Members such as local Chapter President Jon Soles can try new programs, with the guidance of the Jaycees with management, organization and anticipation of problems.

Even if something seems like a pet project, the leadership tries to nurture and encourage that project, he said.

—Scott Kelly

Jaycees

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which the organization leaders see as the key to the future.

"We happen to be, actually, the gap. We have the special market that if we can get these young people involved, they will continue to take on responsibilities in their communities and continue to make a difference there," Kauahi said.

"We're fortunate to have John (Soles) take up the leadership of the chapter here," he said.

The Granite City chapter has been in trouble during the past years. The former treasurer was arrested for misappropriating funds, and the chapter's downtown building was seriously sold.

Soles, president of the Granite City chapter, and Kauahi want to increase the chapter to 50 members as soon as possible.

The U.S. Jaycees started the Junior Chamber Entrepreneurship and Career Advancement to help those who want to start or are already in business with planning, marketing, legalities and actually doing the work.

"Our members takes ownership of their jobs, as we hope they do of their community, (so) they'll advance in the company they're in," Kauahi said, explaining the career advancement part of the program.

"One of the greatest things to come out of our program is the increase in self-confidence. We have a 'speak up' and 'write up' program, and we have competitions in that take you to the national level," he said. "In fact the speak up program is what got me involved in the Jaycees."

During his first year of involvement, Kauahi represented Hawaii in a national competition.

"Being part of the Jaycees is not like being part of a regular civic organization," he said. The Jaycees develop their members and showcase their talents through community service. "Because you don't know how much you've learned until you've actually used it."

For example, the Jaycees have a program in which members create their own training sessions and teach them to others.

Locally, the Granite Chapter has programs such as Thanksgiving baskets for deserving families.

"We use the Salvation Army and sometimes the Red Cross and (media) to let people know we're there... to help out deserving families," Soles said. "It brightens the holiday for a family (so they) can have a good meal at least once a year."

Also, the chapter is seeking sponsors to help with Christmas for underprivileged children. Soles said the members are seeking donations, because they spend \$250 per child.

Other activities the Jaycees sponsor are the Junior Miss and Miss Granite City Pageant in late winter, as well as the high school homecoming and the new Jaycee Bass Association.

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Price

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we can be found in education, health care, job creation and most importantly, in empowering families to be more self-sufficient and free, rather than dependent on big government," Price said.

One of his top concerns is making taxes simpler and flatter.

"There should be less tax loopholes," Price said.

He also would like to eliminate marriage penalties.

"There is a \$4,000 penalty for being married. The government encourages us to file separately," Price said.

Red Bud resident Gail Kohlmeier, who also is running for Congressman in the 12th district on the Republican ticket, said she is surprised that Price has switched to the Republican party.

"He is a life-long regis-

tered Democrat," Kohlmeier said. "But I welcome him to the party."

Kohlmeier added she recently read a statement made by Price comparing himself in likeness to his father.

"I have documentation that shows his dad was ranked as the second highest spender in Congress," Kohlmeier said.

Although Melvin Price was a Democrat, Bob Gentsch, St. Clair County board member (R-12) called him a conservative Democrat.

"If Mel Price was alive today, he would be an ultra-conservative by Democratic standards today," Gentsch said.

Bill Price, 44, has practiced orthopedic medicine in Belleville since 1988.

He saw his last patient on Sept. 30 when he closed his practice for at least a year

to focus on his Congressional campaign.

"It has been a great privilege to practice medicine and serve the community," Price said.

"Now I want to serve in Congress. I feel I can help more people by serving in Congress."

Price pledged to carry on his father's service.

"I think he'll make a fabulous addition to the Republican ticket," said Bob Gentsch, St. Clair County board member.

Price name should help with businesses and jobs in this area."

Brian Lott, press secretary for Costello, said the Congressman had no comments to make at this time regarding Price's political campaign.



AARP Halloween Dance

The American Association of Retired Persons, Chapter 1340, met at the Nelson Hagnauer Town Hall for its Halloween Dance. From left, Toney Sedolek and Bertha Hartzel took first prize as honey bees, Marie Benson won third for her clown outfit, and Barbara Reinhard placed second with her comical version of a nurse.

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Section B
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Bob
Emig

Edwardsville's soccer rep reinforced last weekend

If there ever was any doubt that Edwardsville is the capital of soccer in this area, last week was enough to dispel that doubt.

Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville brought national prominence to the area in soccer when it won two NCAA national championships during the Bob Guelker era from the early 1960s through the mid-1980s.

Not surprisingly, Bob Guelker Field at SIUE was the site of some heated soccer action last week. From Friday through Sunday, the historic field was the site of 11 matches — eight Illinois high school Class A state finals games and three more Great Lakes Valley Conference Tournament contests. Fittingly, the marathon ended with SIUE beating Wisconsin-Parkside 3-1 for the GLVC conference championship.

Also fittingly, while all this was going on in Edwardsville, the Edwardsville High School boys soccer team was making a name for its program by upsetting nationally ranked St. Charles in the Class AA state tournament semifinals in St. Charles. The Tigers ended up with a second-place finish, the school's best ever in soccer.

Meanwhile, Ed Huneke, SIUE's head soccer coach and an alumnus of the school, was running the show emotionally. He was naturally elated with his team's weekend victories against Quincy College and Wisconsin-Parkside that gave his team its first GLVC title, but he also was sad that he couldn't watch his son, Justin, play in the state finals as a member of Edwardsville's team.

"It just goes with the territory," the easy-going Huneke said in the press box at Guelker Field while he was watching the first Class A state final. "There have been a lot of my sons' games that I have missed over the years."

There wasn't much that was missing from the action at Guelker Field. The Cougars showed why they are ranked No. 3 among NCAA Division II teams in the country.

Locally against a Parkside team — the only team to beat SIUE this season — that grabbed a 1-0 lead against the Cougars, the home team kept its cool and rallied for a 3-1 win. Nick Redman, a freshman from Collinsville, got the Cougars a 1-1 tie with a header off a well-placed cross from Matt Little. The Cougars have benefited greatly from local talent this season, with the likes of Redman, Little (Granite City), Jason Hines (Mascoutah), Doug Hartmann (Collinsville), Jason Maxwell (Granite City), Justin Bernalx (Granite City), Matt Dineen (Edwardsville) and Mike Pryor (Wood River).

Additionally, five other players from the St. Louis area are on the SIUE roster. All of sudden, 18-1 SIUE is again an attractive soccer school to attend.

On the high school front, IHSA assistant executive director Marty Hickman, in attendance for the first Class A state final, gave a thumbs-up for the showing at SIUE. He was pleased the way things were run by SIUE officials from Collinsville, Granite City and Edwardsville, who have teamed in the past for sectional and super-sectional action at SIUE.

The Illinois High School Association has two more years left on its contract with SIUE, but that doesn't mean the Class A tournament will be played there in 1998 and 1999. The Class A tournament is certain to be at SIUE next year, but the Class AA tournament could be there in 1999, while the Class A tournament would be moved

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By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

The newly formed Granite City Soccer Club recently conducted its first opening day ceremonies.

On June 12, the Madison County Soccer Association and the Quad Cities Soccer Association merged to form the new GCSC.

More than 1,000 young people are part of the organization and many were present, along with family and friends, at the opening day festivities.

YOUTH SOCCER

The event included a parade on the grounds, raffle tickets and prizes, and give-aways sponsored by local businesses.

The Granite City Soccer Club has 74 teams covering a wide spectrum of ages, from a camp for 4-year-olds to teams for high school seniors.

"We try to offer a good recreational sport for kids, training in soccer fundamentals, as well as training for referees and clinics for coaches," said

board member Judy Stroehmer. "Our goal is to get everyone involved. We want our kids to learn the sport, learn good sportsmanship, play as a team and develop self-esteem. And we don't sell alcohol."

Like any other youth sports organization, the Granite City Soccer Club could not survive much less succeed without parental volunteers.

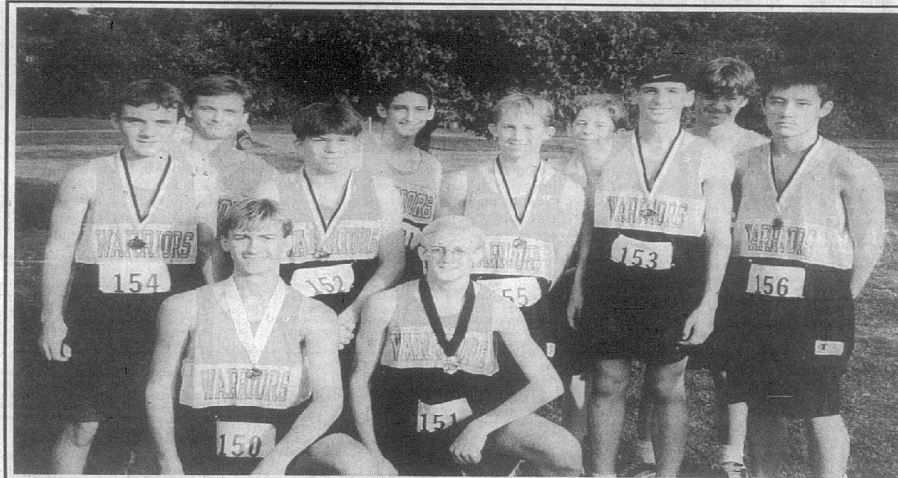
"They make the difference," said Stroehmer. "We couldn't do what we do without them."

The club complex is located on Route

3, by Prather School. It includes six fields, two of which are lighted. Fields behind Worthen Park are also used by the club.

President of the GCSC is Steve Cavins. Chairperson of the Opening Day events was Rebecca Schooley.

"Rebecca deserves a great deal of praise," said Stroehmer. "She worked very hard, made many phone calls and contacted many businesses to make our kickoff successful. She is deserving of special recognition."



County champions

The Granite City junior varsity cross country team captured first place at the Madison County Cross Country Meet this fall. Members of the JV champion squad are (from left to right): In front — Andy Balcer, Kevin Atkins; Middle row — Keith Perigo, Dan Robinson, David Elliff, Richie Skirball, Bobby Rider; In back — Rich Winters, John Moore, Kenneth Marcum and David Jackson. Placing individually to lead the Warriors to the championship were: Atkins in first place; Balcer in third; Robinson in eighth; Rider in ninth; Elliff in 13th; Skirball in 18th; and Perigo in 19th.

SIUE hosts NCAA tourney game Sunday

Special to the Journal

It's down to the Sweet Sixteen.

Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville grabbed the top seed in the Central Region and will host Truman State (Mo.), 1 p.m. Sunday in the first round of the NCAA Division II Men's Soccer Championships.

This is SIUE's 15th appearance in the NCAA Tournament, but its first since 1982. The Cougars won national championships in 1972 (small colleges) and in 1979 as an NCAA Division I institution. The 18-1 Cougars are coming off a Great Lakes Valley Conference title victory Sunday, as they defeated Wisconsin-Parkside 3-1 and avenged their only loss of the season. The Cougars won 15 straight games at one point, and have won 18 of their last 19 matches.

SIUE head coach Ed Huneke was ecstatic with Monday's NCAA bid.

"I'm real happy for the players, for the university and for the southern Illinois soccer community," said Huneke.

MEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER

"but I'm hoping to be even more happy with more success."

The Cougars have been impressive all season, boasting a top 10 offense and defense. SIUE has scored 63 goals, which breaks the school record of 59 set during the 1985 season. Fifteen different players have scored for the Cougars, and every player who has been in a game this season has scored at least one point.

SIUE is led in scoring by junior midfielder Matt Little, a Granite City High School graduate, who has scored 13 goals and dished out 10 assists on the season. His 13 goals is the most by a Cougars player since John Stone scored 14 during the 1985 season. Little's 10 assists is the most by a Cougars player since Matt Nemnich tallied 11 in 1992. Little's 36 points is the most by an SIUE player since Don Ebert set the school record with 54 points (22 goals, 10 assists) in 1979.

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1997 NCAA Division II Men's Soccer Championship

PAIRINGS
(in bracket order)

First Round
Game 1: Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville (18-1) vs. Truman State (Mo.) (14-5-0), 1 p.m. Sunday at Edwardsville, Ill.

Game 2: East Stroudsburg (Pa.) (16-5-1) vs. West Virginia Wesleyan (16-4-1), 1 p.m. Sunday at Buchanan, W.Va.

Game 3: California State-Bakersfield (16-4-0) vs. West Texas A&M (12-5-0), 1 p.m. Sunday at Bakersfield, Calif.

Game 4: Fort Lewis (Colo.) (15-4-0) vs. Seattle (Wash.) Pacific (11-6-1), 4 p.m. Saturday at Seattle, Wash.

Game 5: Lynn (Fla.) (16-1-0) vs. Tampa (Fla.) (16-2-0), 1 p.m. Sunday at Boca Raton, Fla.

Game 6: Alabama-Huntsville (15-1-1) vs. South Carolina-Spartanburg (16-3-0), 1 p.m. Sunday at Spartanburg, S.C.

Game 7: Southern Connecticut State (15-0-1) vs. Dowling (N.Y.) (12-6-0), 1 p.m. Saturday at New Haven, Conn.

Game 8: Franklin Pierce (N.H.) (12-4-0) vs. New Hampshire College (16-1-1), 12 noon Saturday at Manchester, N.H.

Quarterfinals
Sunday, Nov. 23
Game 9: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2 for Central Region Championship.

Game 10: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4 for West Region Championship.

Game 11: Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 6 for South Region Championship.

Game 12: Winner Game 7 vs. Winner Game 8 for Northeast Region Championship.

Semifinals
(Dec. 4-5)
Game 13: Winner Game 9 vs. Winner Game 10.

Game 14: Winner Game 11 vs. Winner Game 12.

National Championship
(Dec. 6-7)
Game 15: Winner Game 13 vs. Winner Game 14.

Annual Boxing Showdown slated for Nov. 26

Special to the Journal

An encore of last year's record-setting "Guns and Hooves" is set for 7:30 p.m. Nov. 26 at Kiel Center.

The 10th St. Louis Metro Budweiser Boxing Showdown will feature police officers and firefighters from departments throughout the metropolitan area in at least 17 bouts.

The Showdown benefits the St. Louis Backstoppers.

Preliminary pairings include police officers from the Madison County Sheriff's Department and Alton Police Department in Illinois, and the Missouri departments of St. Louis City, St. Louis County, Ferguson, Beverly Hills, Hazelwood, Crystal City, Maryland Heights, O'Fallon, Sullivan and the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department.

Firefighters in preliminary pairings are from the Mitchell, Granite City, Edwardsville and Glen Carbon departments in Illi-

nois, as well as the Missouri fire departments of St. Louis City, Community, Metro West, Affton, Fentonville, Richmond Heights, University City, St. Charles and O'Fallon.

Tickets are \$25, \$20 and \$15 and may be purchased by calling (314) 351-8214, a 24-hour ticket hotline.

A team of police officers (guns) will square off with a team of firefighters (hooves).

The police team won last year's Showdown (11 bouts to nine) before a record crowd of 10,427. The event raised \$32,000 for the Backstoppers, bringing the nine-year total of funds raised to more than \$350,000.

Participants are matched by age, weight and boxing experience. Two women's matches will also be featured.

The St. Louis Backstoppers is a 1,000-

(See BOXING, Page 3B)

Among the elite Simpson helps Lewis & Clark to nationals

Special to the Journal

The women's soccer team at Lewis & Clark Community College took a major step in cementing its position as one of the top teams in the nation by winning the District G championships in Livonia, Mich., last weekend.

Representing Region 24, the Trailblazers won by forfeit against Iowa Central in the first round, defeated College of DuPage 2-0 in the semifinals and outlasted Meramec Community College 1-0 in sudden death overtime for the district championship.

"The game against Meramec was a battle," Lewis & Clark coach Tim Rooney said. "Anytime two teams play neck-and-neck through regulation and two overtimes until five minutes are left in sudden death overtime, tied 0-0, you know both teams want it badly."

Rooney said the difference in the Meramec game, as well as all season, has been the good, hard, midfield play working together with a tough, hard-nosed defense and helped out by an offense that constantly takes advantage of every scoring opportunity.

"We are sound defensively, which I think is the key to winning," said Rooney. "Our sophomores have been effective all year and they really stepped up in playoffs."

Sophomores Tricia Tallo (midfielder) and Lisa Coleman (defensive back), both of McCluer North in St. Louis County, have played well all year, and have reached an even higher level of play in the postseason.

"We have a special player in Roxie Simpson (Granite City), who had an assist on every goal in the districts," Rooney said. "Roxie is one of our hardest working players. She makes everybody play better and is so active offensively. She is always a threat."

Simpson has scored 11 goals and handed out 25 assists this season.

Rooney has shaped the women's program into something special. Quietly, the team is moving progressively up the ladder of national rankings. In four short years, the Trailblazers have qualified for the NCAA national tournament.

Lewis & Clark was ranked as high as fifth in the nation this year, and entered district playoffs as the No. 8 team in the country. The Trailblazers' 16-4 record rivals that of any other team in the nationals, and Rooney's 46-28-2 career mark at the school in Godfrey is indicative of the excellence of the program.

Rooney anticipated something of the success this season's squad has known. "With the work ethic of the returning sophomores and the freshmen contributing and learning, I thought we had the tools to be very good this year," he said.

Coming into the season, the three missing pieces were quickly filled: a prolific scorer (Aubrey Cardinal of Hazelwood), an anchor at midfield (Simpson), and a quality goalie

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SPORTS

SCOOP DU JOUR

Granite City Elks name Lakin to head the baseball program

The Granite City Elks Youth Athletic Board recently announced that board member John Lakin has been appointed head of the baseball program for the Elks organization.

Lakin is a life-long resident of Granite City. He played baseball through the Granite City Little League system to high school, and was a starting pitcher for Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville until an automobile accident prior to his junior year cut short his baseball career.

Lakin was pitching coach at SIUE from 1980-81, and was an associate scout for the Toronto Blue Jays from 1982-93. Anyone wishing to participate in the Elks program by forming a team or by joining an existing Elks baseball team may call 876-6060.

Hockey clinic

The Granite City Park District is offering a Youth Instructional Hockey Clinic. Registration is underway at the Wilson Park Office. Class begins Monday and will continue each Monday for five weeks. Sessions are 3:45-4:45 p.m.

The clinic — featuring individual instruction in hockey skills with a minimum class size of eight students, and a maximum of 12 students — carries a cost of \$100 for the five-week session. Two additional sessions are scheduled for Jan. 5-Feb. 2, 1998, and for Feb. 9-March 9, 1998.

The instructor is Brent Gorden of Granite City, a hockey veteran of the Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League, U.S. Hockey League, Montana State University, the American Football Hockey League of Billings, Mont., and the local Warriors High School Hockey team. Call the Wilson Park office (877-3059) or the Ice Rink (877-2548) for additional information.

Volleyball tryout

Team St. Louis will conduct volleyball tryouts for the following girls teams: Freshmen (Nov. 23, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at St. Louis Notre Dame High School), Sophomores (Nov. 21, 8-9 p.m. at the University of Missouri-St. Louis gym), Juniors (Nov. 23, 1-5 p.m. at Notre Dame High School) and Seniors (Nov. 21, 7-9:30 p.m. at the University of Missouri-St. Louis gym). Each tryout carries a fee of \$5 per player, and each player must be accompanied by a parent or have a signed medical release waiver in order to participate. For more information, call (314) 639-0018.

Soccer tournament

The Mid-Rivers Soccer Club will conduct its eighth annual soccer tournament at the Dellwood Soccer Arena, Dec. 4-14. It is open to boys and girls teams from kindergarten through under-17 select and recreational teams. Separate brackets for select and recreational teams. Team and individual awards will be presented to the first- and second-place teams.

For more information call Al (826-3491) or Brad (441-3386).

Soccer leagues

The Gateway East Illinois Youth Soccer League is accepting applications for the winter and spring soccer season for high school boys. Request for applications must be received by Nov. 15.

For information, call Vic Trybinski at 931-0976.

Volleyball tryout

The Game Face Volleyball Club will conduct tryouts (all at Family Sportsplex, 2346 Mascoutah Ave. in Belleville) on the following dates:

10-and-under, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Nov. 22;

12-and-under, 1-4 p.m. Nov. 22;

13-and-under, 8-10 p.m. Nov. 21 and 4-6 p.m. Nov. 23;

14-and-under, 8-10 p.m. Nov. 21 and 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Nov. 23;

15-and-under, 7:30-10:30 p.m. Nov. 22 and 1:30-3:30 p.m. Nov. 23;

16-and-under, 8 a.m.-12 noon Nov. 22 and 4-6 p.m. Nov. 23;

17-and-under, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Nov. 22 and 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Nov. 23;

18-and-under, 4-7 p.m. Nov. 22 and 1:30-3:30 p.m. Nov. 23;

Parent must attend first tryout to complete a medical release form.

Fee of \$15 will be charged.

For information, call Jeff Juenger at 235-7503.

Alton run

The Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis is Saturday at the Alton Square Mall.

Events include a 5-kilometer competitive run, a 1-mile fun run/walk and a Joint Parade Walk (for those with joint replacement). Starting time is 8 a.m.

Registration fee \$18 on race day at food court at Alton Square Mall.

Soccer tryout

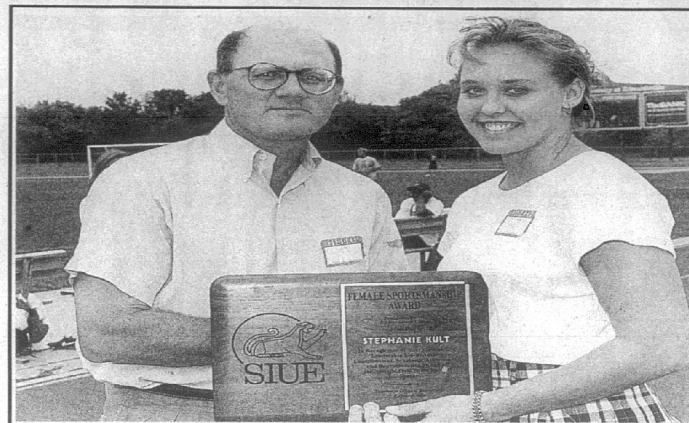
The Force '79 soccer club will conduct open tryouts for boys born Aug. 1, 1978 or later for the 1998 soccer season. Tryouts will be Saturday at 1 p.m.; Sunday at 3 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 22, at 1 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 23, at 1 p.m. at the Mascoutah Schewe Park. Each candidate must bring shin guards, an inflated soccer ball, a copy of their birth certificate and a recent school photo. For information, call 568-7514.

Cheerleading competition

The O'Fallon High School cheerleaders are hosting a regional competition for the American Cheerleaders Championships on Saturday, Nov. 22. In the high school gymnasium, 600 S. Smiley.

Squads including high school, junior high and all-star are invited to compete. There is also a separate competition for individual routines. The cost is \$10 per squad member and \$35 for the individual competition.

Spectators are welcome to attend. There will be door prizes, concessions and cheerleading souvenirs from the American.



Award winner

Stephanie Kult (right) of Granite City was the Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville's Female Sportsmanship Award winner for the 1996-97 school year and accepted the award in a recent presentation. Kult was a four-year starter for the Cougars soccer team and is the school's all-time record-holder for saves. Kult also helped the Cougars to two appearances in the NCAA Tournament during her collegiate career. Making the presentation is John Meisel, SIUE's faculty representative to the NCAA.

Cheer collection. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for students and free for children age 2 and under. Registration begins at 9 a.m. and competition begins at 11 a.m.

For more information, call AmeriCheer at (800) 966-5887 or OTHS cheerleading sponsor Tamr Hudson at 632-3507. The cheerleaders are seeking donations of attendance prizes for this event. Contact Hudson if you have any items you wish to donate.

MVCHA scholarships

The Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association (MVCHA) has announced that two \$500 scholarships will be awarded this year following the 1997-98 hockey season.

All high school seniors who play for their high school hockey team in the MVCHA this season will be eligible to compete for the scholarships. Selections will be approved for distribution by the MVCHA Board of Directors. Scholarships will be distributed directly to the college, trade school, vocational school or community college of the student's choice.

Contact team coaches for an application for the scholarship program. Applications must be postmarked by March 1, 1998. For more information, call Bob Mooshegian at 466-4533 or Dr. Gary Clark at 466-1380.

Turkey Trot

The annual O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Special Olympics Turkey Trot will be Saturday at O'Fallon City Park. The event includes a one-mile fun run at 10 a.m. and a three-mile run at 10:30.

Race day registration is \$9 and closes at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call "Foz" Ryan at 632-5597.

Shootout tickets

Tickets for the 17th annual Coca-Cola/KMOX Shootout, the premier high school basketball event of its kind in the nation, are on sale at numerous St. Louis area locations.

All Shootout tickets are reserved and cover the entire day's activities. Spectators may reenter, provided they keep their ticket stub and get their hand stamped in the Kiel Center lobby.

Ticket prices are \$18 and \$15. Tickets are available at local participating schools; all Capital Tickets outlets, including Famous-Barr and the Kiel Center Box Office; and Curt Smith Sporting Goods in Belleville.

Schools are permitted to keep \$1 of each ticket sold in advance through the school. Metro East teams playing in the event are the Belleville East girls, the Edwardsville boys and the Waterloo Gibault boys.

Tickets may also be charged by phone. Call Dialtix at 314-969-1800.

Soccer

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Jaron Hines of Mascoutah is second in goals and in scoring with 10 scores and three assists.

Jerry Reed of Springfield saved a goal on Sunday against Wisconsin-Parkside and then scored the gamewinner. Reed and Darren Snyder each have six goals and nine assists.

SIUE goalkeeper Andy Korbesmeyer has been consistently among the nation's top 10 goalies with his 0.79 goals against average. Korbesmeyer, of Florissant, Mo., has 96 saves and six shut-outs.

Hunekes said his team will be ready for Truman State, which enters the match with a 14-5 record.

"I'm sure they'll be a respectable challenge that we'll have to be up for this weekend," he said.

The 16-team field includes four teams each from four regions — Central, West, South and Northeast. East Stroudsburg (Pa.) (16-5-1) and West Virginia Wesleyan (16-6-4-1) are the other two teams from the Central Region.

If SIUE wins Sunday, its next game will be Nov. 23, at a site yet to be determined. The site of the national semifinals and finals, set for Dec. 4-7, will be determined following the quarterfinal games.

Great Lakes Valley

Conference

Men's Soccer Tournament

Wednesday, Nov. 5

Quincy 2, Indianapolis 1

Wisconsin-Parkside 2, U.S.L. 1

Northern Kentucky 2, Lewis 1

Saturday

(At SIUE-Edwardsville)

SIUE 1, Quincy 0

Wisconsin-Parkside 1, Northern Kentucky 0

Sunday

Championship

(At SIUE-Edwardsville)

SIUE 3, Wisconsin-Parkside 1

CHAMPIONSHIP

SIUE 3, Wis.-Parkside 1

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W-P — Justin Meredith (Richard Elliott), 10:26.

SIUE — Nick Redman (Matt Little), 15:50.

SIUE — Jerry Reed (Little), 31:03.

SIUE — Jaron Hines (Reed), 68:43.

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elsewhere. Springfield High finally ended its jinx at Bob Guelker Field. The Senators were turned back four straight years in a supersectional play at SIUE before winning the first Class A state tournament in convincing fashion, posting a 7-0 win against Westchester St. Joseph in the title game. Senior Jason Vijil was outstanding, scoring three goals in both the quarterfinal and title matches.

Asked if his team was the best in the state, Springfield coach Phil Eck didn't hesitate by saying, "Of course, we are."

Of course, the folks from Palatine Fremd, which beat Edwardsville 2-0 in the Class AA finals, would probably think differently.

Make no mistake about it. There was plenty of talent to go around in the Class A tournament. Remember the enrollment cutoff was 1,289, considerably higher than in the 700s, which you have for all of the other sports that have two classes in Illinois. Springfield was at 1,283 and could move up to Class AA as early as next year. That won't bother Eck, who says he has mixed emotions about playing in Class A.

For Springfield, it was the school's first team state championship since 1959, when the Senators won its third state basketball championship.

Bob Guelker Field again will be the site of soccer action at 1 p.m. Sunday when SIUE hosts Truman State University out of Kirksville, Mo., in the first round of the NCAA Division II playoffs.

round of the NCAA Division II playoffs. If the Cougars win, they most likely would host a quarterfinals game the following week. You can bet Bob Guelker is smiling.

•Boxing

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member organization which assists the families of police officers or firefighters who lose their lives in the line of duty in St. Louis City and the Missouri counties of St. Louis, Franklin, Jefferson, and St. Charles. The group also covers Madison and St. Clair counties in Illinois.

Mike Shanahan Sr., Chairman of Engineered Systems, Inc., is the current Backstoppers' president. The Showdown was created and is sponsored by Jerry Clinton and Grey Eagle Distributors, the St. Louis County wholesaler of Anheuser-Busch products.

Hal Richardson, Backstop-

pers' Executive Director, said the organization provides victims' families with immediate and long-term financial aid, including paying current debts, assisting with mortgages and with children's educational expenses.

Myrl Taylor, a member of the National Golden Gloves Hall of Fame, is the Showdown director, and Jack Martorelli is the assistant director. Steve Holley is president of the St. Louis Amateur Boxing Association which is serving as the Showdown promoter.

Information about the Showdown is on the Backstoppers' Internet web site at www.backstoppers.com.

Preliminary pairings have been made, but are subject to change.



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SPORTS



(Staff photo by JOHN FRES)

Granite City hockey player Ty Suhre (5) and his teammates are ready to slice through opposing defenses in the Mid-States Club Hockey Association. The Warriors play against Missouri club teams in the league.

HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY CLUB SCHEDULES

Granite City Warriors Mid-States Club Hockey Association 1997-98 Schedule	
Nov. 17	McCluer North, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City
Nov. 22	Pattonville, 11 p.m. at Webster
Nov. 24	McCluer, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City
Nov. 28	Hazelwood East, 9:30 p.m. at North County
Dec. 1	Hazelwood West, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City
Dec. 8	Hazelwood Central, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City
Dec. 15	Pattonville, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City
Dec. 19	DuBourg, 9:45 p.m. at Affton
Dec. 23	Parkway West, 9:15 p.m. at Quency
Dec. 26	Affton, 9:45 p.m. at Affton
Dec. 27	Westminster, 10 p.m. at Chesterfield
Jan. 1	Wentzville, 8:15 p.m. at St. Peters Rec-Plex
Jan. 5	Francis Howell, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City
Jan. 10	McCluer North, 9:30 p.m. at North County
Jan. 12	St. Charles West, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City
Jan. 19	Hazelwood Central, 9 p.m. at North County
Jan. 23	Hazelwood West, 9:30 p.m. at North County
Jan. 25	McCluer, 4:30 p.m. at North County

Jan. 26 — Hazelwood East, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City
Feb. 2 — DeSmet, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City

Illinois Warriors Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association 1997-98 Schedule	
Nov. 12	Collinsville, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City
Nov. 19	Belleville East, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City
Nov. 26	O'Fallon, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City
Dec. 6	Alton, 6 p.m. at East Alton
Dec. 10	Cahokia, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City
Dec. 17	Althoff, 8:15 p.m. at East Alton
Dec. 28	Bethalto, 8:30 p.m. at East Alton
Jan. 4	Belleville West, 7 p.m. at East Alton
Jan. 7	Collinsville, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City
Jan. 14	Althoff, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City
Jan. 21	Belleville East, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City
Jan. 28	Belleville West, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City
Feb. 7	Cahokia, 8:30 p.m. at Cahokia
Feb. 11	O'Fallon, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City
Feb. 19	Roxana, 7:30 p.m. at East Alton

PREP VOLLEYBALL STATE TOURNAMENT

**Class AA
Girls Volleyball
IHSA State Tournament
At Redbird Arena,
Illinois State University**

FRIDAY
Match 1: Chicago Mother McAuley vs. Belleville East, 11 a.m.
Match 2: Chicago Simeon vs. Arlington Heights Heritage, 12 noon
Match 3: Jacksonville vs. Downers Grove South, 6 p.m.

Match 4: Rockton Hononegah vs. Palatine Fremd, 7 p.m.
SATURDAY
Match 5: Winner Match 1 vs. Winner Match 2, 11 a.m.
Match 6: Winner Match 3 vs. Winner Match 4, 12 p.m.
THIRD PLACE
Match 7: Loser Match 5 vs. Loser Match 6, 4:45 p.m.
CHAMPIONSHIP
Match 8: Winner Match 5 vs. Winner Match 6, 7 p.m.

**Class A
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FRIDAY
Match 1: Mount Pulaski vs. Springfield, 8:30 a.m.
Match 2: Breese Central vs. Wheaton St. Francis, 9:30 a.m.
Match 3: Normal University vs. Kansas, 3:30 p.m.

Match 4: Tolono Unity vs. Huntley, 4:30 p.m.
SATURDAY
Match 5: Winner Match 1 vs. Winner Match 2, 11 a.m.
Match 6: Winner Match 3 vs. Winner Match 4, 12 p.m.
THIRD PLACE
Match 7: Loser Match 5 vs. Loser Match 6, 4:45 p.m.
CHAMPIONSHIP
Match 8: Winner Match 5 vs. Winner Match 6, 7 p.m.

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May 21-23 — Motorola 300 PPG CART World Series (Oval)
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(Beth Guccione of Incarnate Word).

"We just feel so comfortable with Guccione back there," said Rooney. "She has such good reactions, is tireless and strong, and we just don't worry when shots are on goal."

Another sophomore who played very well in the playoffs was Triad High School graduate Bobbi Farmer. Farmer had two goals, one against DuPage and the game winner against Meramec. "I think both teams wanted it (the win), but we just

wouldn't give up," said Farmer. "Roxie (Simpson) was to the right of the box, gave me a perfect pass and I just wanted it over the goalie."

Eight teams will vie for the NJCAA championship at Essex College in Baltimore, Md. Lewis & Clark is seeded seventh and faces second-seeded Monroe Community College (Rochester, N.Y.) at 1 p.m. today. A win by the Trailblazers puts them into a semifinal of the game between No. 3 seed Champlain College (Burlington, Vt.) and No. 6 seed Community College of Rhode Island.

NJCAA Women's Soccer

NJCAA Women's Soccer Tournament SEEDINGS
1, Brevard (N.C.) College (20-0-0)

- 2, Monroe Community College, Rochester, N.Y. (17-2-0)
- 3, Champlain College, Burlington, Vt. (16-1-3)
- 4, Pima Community College, Tucson, Ariz. (20-2-0)
- 5, Ocean County College, Toms River, N.J. (13-2-0)
- 6, Community College of Rhode Island, Warwick, R.I. (15-1-2)
- 7, Lewis & Clark Community College, Godfrey, Ill. (15-4-2)
- 8, State University of New York-Farmingdale (9-3-0)

SCHEDULE

First Round
Thursday
Game 1: Brevard College vs. SUN-Y-Farmingdale, 10 a.m.
Game 2: Pima Community College vs. Ocean County College, 11 a.m.
Game 3: Champlain College vs. Community College of Rhode Island, 12 noon
Game 4: Monroe Community College vs. Lewis & Clark Community College, 1 p.m.

Second Round
Friday
Game 5: Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2, 10 a.m.
Game 6: Loser Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4, 11 a.m.
Game 7: Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2, 12 p.m.
Game 8: Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4, 1 p.m.

Third Round
Saturday
Game 9: Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 6, 10 a.m.
Game 10: Loser Game 7 vs. Loser Game 8, 1 p.m.

Championship Game
Sunday
Championship: Winner Game 7 vs. Winner Game 8.

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WEDDINGS

Ard — Blattner

Kathy Butler Ard of Pottsboro, Texas, and Robert Frederick Blattner, Jr., of Van Alstyne, Texas, were united in marriage at 4 p.m. July 26, 1997, at the Parkside Baptist Church in Denison, Texas, with the Rev. Chet Haney, pastor of the church officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her two sons, Shawn Ard and Ryan Ard of Pottsboro, Texas.

The bride is the daughter of the late Barbara Danielle Owens of Huntsville, Ala., and the late Odell Butler of Forest, La. Grandparents are the Edith and Boss Daniels of Goodwill, La., and the late Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Butler of Forest, La.

The groom is the son of Erma and Robert Blattner of Granite City. He is the grandson of the late Laura and Otto Zentgraf of Floraville, and John and Anna Blattner of Madison.

The bride is a graduate of Sherman High School. She is

employed by UNICARE Life and Health Insurance Company in the network development division in Plano, Texas.

The groom is a graduate of Granite City High School and Belleville Area College. He is employed by Texas Instruments in Sherman, Texas.

Maid of honor was Catherine Grace Waguespack of Metairie, La., cousin of the bride. Bride's maids were Tammy Jareah of Louella, Texas, and Nicole Harnett of Dallas, Texas.

The flower girl was Krystal McDonald, cousin of the bride, of Bastrop, La.

The ring bearer was Ashley Blattner, niece of the groom. Best man was John Blattner, brother of the groom, of Waterloo.

Groomsmen were Paul Blattner, brother of the groom, of Granite City, and Ed Schafer of Denison, Texas.

Ushers were Thomas Waguespack, cousin of the bride, of Metairie, La.



Kathy and Robert Blattner

A reception was held in the fellowship hall following the ceremony.

Following a wedding trip to Zihuatanejo, Mexico, the couple will reside in Pottsboro, Texas.

Schuetz — Jones

Monica Catherine Schuetz and John Edward Jones, Jr., were married June 21, 1997, at Calvary Baptist Church in Granite City with the Rev. Fred Boatright officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Michael and Mary Cardwell of Granite City.

The groom is the son of John and Sandra Jones of Stoutsville, Ohio.

The bride is a 1989 graduate of Granite City High School and is employed by Shafique Ahmad, MD, in Granite City as a receptionist.

The groom is a 1990 graduate of Granite City High School and is employed by Jefferson Smurfit in Alton as a laborer.

The maid of honor was Tanja Cook of Carbondale, friend

of the bride. Bride's maids were Melissa Gilmore, Amanda Boushara, Samantha Gale, and Kim Mercer, all friends of the bride.

The miniature bride was Ashley Cardwell, sister of the bride.

The best man was David Jones of Alton, brother of the groom.

Groomsmen were John Gilmore, Mike Harper, Matt Costello, and Sako Movradian, all friends of the groom.

The flower girl was Abigail Boushara.

The ring bearer was Grant Whitmore, son of the bride and groom.

Ushers were Eric Hill and Mark Begardo, both of Granite City.



John and Monica Jones, with son Grant

A reception was held at Amvets.

Following a wedding trip to Ocho Rios, Jamaica, the couple reside in Granite City.

English — Guerrero

Carol Dawn English and Marcos Guerrero were married Aug. 23, 1997, at St. Cecilia Catholic Church in Glen Carbon by the Rev. Stephen Pohlman.

The bride is the daughter of Vincent and Lorraine English of Collinsville.

The groom is the son of Vidal and Kathy Guerrero of Glen Carbon.

Danielle Trober of Granite

City attended her friend as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Terri Lepage of Mesa, Ariz., Sonia Roman of Fairmont City, Liz Lawson of Glendale, Ariz., Merideth Koezevich of Springfield, Missie Szymanski of Newton Falls, Ohio, and Colina Jacinto of Mt. Vernon.

The groom's best man was English carried the bride's five-foot train.

David Reynolds of Granite

City stood with his friend as best man. Groomsmen were Estevan Guerrero of Glen Carbon, Juan Roam, Ryan Crow, Shad Conner, Sean Hilemon and Tino Contreras. Nikolas Roman of Fairmont City was the ring bearer.

Following a reception at the Venice Social Club in Pontoon Beach, the couple honeymooned in Mesa, Ariz., and now reside in Collinsville.

Carla Ann Nicol and Jason Eric Jackson were married May 10, 1997, at Calvary Baptist Church with the Rev. Fred Boatright officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Kenneth and Nelly Nicol of Granite City.

The groom is the son of Mike and Renee Crouch of Pontoon Beach.

The bride is a 1985 graduate of Granite City High School and is employed by National Steel-Granite City Division, as a schedule clerk.

The groom is a 1991 graduate of Granite City High School and is employed by Dietz Construction in Edwardsville as a carpentry foreman.

The maid of honor was Nelly Nicol, mother of the bride.

Bride's maids were Jodi Ennis, Melissa Siner, Karen Springman, and Stacie Hamilton, all friends of the bride, and Sherry Nicol, sister-in-law of the bride.

The best man was Jeff

Thomas, friend of the groom. The groomsmen were Gregg Griggs, Matt Shemwell, and Scott Nomm, all friends of the groom, and Bruce and Kenny Nicol, brothers of the bride.

The miniature bride was Torree Ennis, daughter of a friend.

The miniature groom was Zachary Shemwell, son of a friend.

Ushers were Brian Palmisano of Granite City and Brian Profit of Glen Carbon, both friends of the groom.

A reception was held at Amvets Hall.

After a wedding trip to Maui and Maui, Hawaii, the couple reside in Granite City.



Carla and Eric Jackson

BIRTHS

Masching Triplets

Patrick and Pamela Masching of Maryville have announced the birth of triplets, born July 24, 1997, at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in Creve Coeur.

Cody Robert was born at 7:56 a.m. and weighed 4 pounds, 14 ounces.

Hayley Patricia weighed 4 pounds, 3 1/2 ounces and was born at 7:57 a.m. Heidi Ellen was born at 7:58 a.m. and weighed 3 pounds, 12 ounces.

The maternal grandparents are Robert and Patricia Dubnick of Granite City. Marvin and Judy Masching of Worthington, Minn., are the paternal grandparents.

James Longos

Drs. Thomas and Cathy Longos of Edwardsville have announced the birth of their son.

James Thomas Longos was born at 7:19 p.m. Oct. 10, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are the late Donald and Shima Evans of Collinsville.

James and Donna Longos of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

Pace Twins

Russell and Belinda Pace of Collinsville have announced the birth of twins, two daughters.

Andria Lauren Pace was born at 2:28 a.m. Sept. 18, 1997, at St. Mary's Hospital in Clayton, Mo. She weighed 2 pounds, 12.6 ounces. Brittany Suzanne Pace was born at 2:30 a.m. Sept. 18, and weighed 2 pounds, 14 ounces.

The maternal grandfather is Bernard McGee of Granite City.

Alfred and Bertha Pace of Collinsville are the paternal grandparents.

Leann Smith

Eric and Ann Smith of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Leann Marie was born at 11:27 p.m. June 10, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Joseph and Rose Krystopa of Granite City.

Robert and Janis Smith of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

Great-grandmothers are Pauline Hanson of Granite City, Ruby Whitson of Granite City, and Gladys Smith.

Armon Huff

Sherry Dover and Armon Huff, Jr., have announced the birth of their son.

Armon Armon Huff, Jr., was born at 7:03 p.m. and

weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces. The maternal grandmother is Nadine Thomas of Cahokia.

The couple has one other child, Racheel Huff, 1 years old.

Michael Miller

Cynthia and R.T. Miller of Madison have announced the birth of their son.

Michael Edward Miller was born at 12:01 a.m. Sept. 22, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Hospital. He weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Edward and Barbara Radcliff of Madison.

Ralph and Sue Miller of Madison are the paternal grandparents.

The couple has one other child, Christopher Thomas Miller, age 6.

Christopher White

Richard and Stacy White of Granite City have announced the birth of their son.

Christopher Lee White was born at 1:33 p.m. Sept. 19, 1997, at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center. He weighed 5 pounds, 7 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Kay Powers of Larry Eller, both of Granite City.

Roxann and Terry White of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

The couple has one other child, Richard White, age 2 1/2.

Beca Knapp

Robert Knapp and Mary Aubuschn of Granite City have announced the birth of their daughter.

Beca Lynn Knapp was born at 6:27 a.m. Sept. 18, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces.

Maternal grandmother is Rhonda Aubuschn of Granite City.

Robin Distler and Robert Knapp, Sr., of Granite City and Missouri are the paternal grandparents.

Samantha Wise

John and Virginia Wise of Granite City have announced the birth of their daughter.

Samantha Rae Wise was born at 4 p.m. Sept. 19, 1997, at

St. Elizabeth Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Sam and Mariann Swarngim of Grover, Mo.

John and Martha Wise of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

The couple has two other children, John, Jr., age 15, and Stacey Lynn, age 11.

Trisha Jackson

Glenda and Frank Jackson of Granite City have announced the birth of their daughter.

Trisha Lynne Jackson was born at 11:34 p.m. Sept. 14, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Paul and Karen Costello of Granite City.

Glen Jackson of Houston, Texas is the paternal grandfather.

The couple has four other children, Quentin Costello, age 6 years, Dillon Costello, age 4, Frank Jackson, age 4, and Matthew Jackson, age 3.

Amber Miller

Brandie Cobb and Cho Miller of Granite City have announced the birth of their daughter.

Amber Sue Lynn Miller was born at 11:42 a.m. Sept. 17, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Linda Rorie and Danny Cobb, Sr., both of Granite City.

Kim Miller and Jim Miller of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

The couple has one other child, Sean Miller, age 22 months.

Marissa Casey

Heather Winters and John Casey of Granite City have announced the birth of their daughter.

Marissa Anne Casey was born at 1:20 p.m. Oct. 5, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She weighed 6 pounds, 3 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Ken Winters and Debbie Taylor of Granite City.

Mary Casey of Granite City is the paternal grandmother.

Beasley — Harris

Elizabeth M. Beasley of Granite City, and Glenn Harris of Menard, were married Oct. 24, 1997, in Menard.

MILESTONES

Theresa Bonebrake will celebrate her 18th birthday Nov. 13.

Cledith "Archie" Milan will celebrate his 68th birthday Nov. 13.

Bobby Bruzaitis will celebrate his 41st birthday Nov. 13.

Angela Brown will celebrate her 18th birthday Nov. 13.

Janina K. Smith will celebrate her 31st birthday Nov. 13.

Tina Levart will celebrate her birthday Nov. 13.

Cheryl (Glauser) Pounds will celebrate her 51st birthday Nov. 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fior will celebrate their 60th anniversary Nov. 13.

Morgan Carney will celebrate her 4th birthday Nov. 14.

Louie Scaturro will celebrate his 63rd birthday Nov. 14.

To submit an item for Milestones, drop a post card to "Milestones, 6615 Delmar, Granite City, IL 62040. Please include a telephone number for verification purposes.

Also, keep in mind that we will run birthdays and anniversaries each year unless we are contacted and asked to take the item off the list. So please contact us if a person you submitted for milestones passes away, or no longer wants to be included in the listing.

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ENTERTAINMENT

HOROSCOPE

Thursday, Nov. 13
The Taurus moon accents determination and tough love. If you are experiencing turbulence in a relationship, stubborn thinking is a danger. Sensual worlds are opening up around us. If we cannot change our minds on a subject, we can change the subject. People can always find something on which to agree. Appetites for love are hearty, but

don't let opposing intellects get in the way.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 13). It's a money year! Many find their biggest money gains come from work that's very different. It's time to begin anew. Projects in December succeed when you provide the brains and someone else gets the manpower together. May and July are big money months. Travel in February introduces singles to love and couples to renewed romantic energy.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Sensational issues have wider appeal now, so gossip spreads like wildfire, whether it's true or not. Today is about testing bound Aries and bucking the establishment. Tomorrow, trivial news is forgotten.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Work habits are on the verge



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of a substantial alteration. More money will follow. Your career gets a boost when an old schoolmate phones with a proposal you can't refuse. Loved ones are looking for role models.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). A suggestion from an acquaintance is seductive. Convictions loosen as a loved one challenges

your mind-set. Legal matters are no longer the main issue. Leisure plans change for the good of all.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There is no middle ground for ongoing feuds. However, if one side shows the least bit of regret, compassion can take the place of resentment. The overall romantic climate is not calmer, just deeper.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Avoid letting romance keep you from friends. Meetings improve the longer they last. Glamorous pursuits are touched with luck. Make a two-month projection before committing to a financial plan.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Luck comes through bartering. Regular spending habits by dropping an unused subscription or membership. Efforts are maximized when you put it

in writing. A colleague from the past re-enters your life.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Balancing your career and love life becomes a juggling event. Concentrate on the area most recently neglected. An artistic block is lifted. A suitor stops at nothing to win a date. Take precautions to prevent family discord.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You discover you can't lose. Tap into your creative side through a class. A social extravaganza brings together long-lost loves. Humor puts the focus where you need it. Find ways to let your sweetheart carry the ball.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Increase your professional knowledge during downtime at work. By working closely with a good friend, long-term goals come more into focus. This is

how they will finally be achieved.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Smart moves win the favor of a powerful person. A loving relationship brings special gains, including career boosts. Singles are compatible with varied types but settle in with those who are similar.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Loved ones have lucrative insights. Your excellent leadership qualities allow you to help an organization reach its goal. Friends stand behind you unconditionally. Indulge in a little introspection.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). New employment is now possible for many. Expect plans to change, but it's a blessing in the end. Your family needs love, and your home needs repairs? Virgo and Sagittarius.

'Starship' strengths may outnumber weaknesses

Random observations from the kill-the-giant-insect sci-fi flick 'Starship Troopers':

• It's rare to see such a well-orchestrated blend of hair gel, well-chiseled chins and mass human dismemberment.

• Lines like, "To fight the bug, we must understand the bug," are pretty funny — if they're intentionally so, which is unclear.

• Giant vermin are cool. Beyond that, there's little to recommend 'Starship Troopers'.

• Paul Verhoeven's attempt to create a giant, malevolent Bazooka Joe cartoon in outer space. The characters are cardboard and juvenile.

able, the plot twists indecipherable and the epic battle against gargantuan extraterrestrial insects morally questionable at best.

• Here's the strange thing, though: Despite this battalion of weaknesses, you'll probably walk away entertained from this '90s sci-fi.

• 'Star Wars' meets 'Sands of Iwo Jima.' It's marginally good, despite its violence, and it sports enough camp to carry it through to the end.

• The story goes something like this: In the future, giant bugs from another star system based on a planet called Klendathu are launching salvos at Earth, so Earth decides to fight back by invading the bug world.

• The foot soldiers are a model-agency-smooth bunch of high-school students from Buenos Aires, Argentina, who sign up for federal service, which allows them to become "citizens."

Among them are the improbably named Johnny Rico (Casper Van Dien), the taciturn, fresh-faced Carmen Ibanez (Denise Richards) and comely tough-girl Dizzy Flores (Dina Meyer), who has long lasted after Rico. Ibanez chooses pilot school, Rico and Dizzy the infantry. In quick succession, we see them join, train, graduate and go off to battle.

Their quarry is a race of giant bugs who live in the Arachnid Quarantine Zone, a vast, desolate, and seemingly spider-like. They impale chests with their claws and bite off heads with their jaws, allowing Verhoeven ("Total Recall," "Basic Instinct") to perpetrate all sorts of unspeakable gore upon the human body.

Because of all this carnage, 'Starship Troopers' is one of the most violent American movies since 'Platoon.'

Throw in the occasional erot-

ic encounter and a plethora of get-up-and-go military charges led by Rico's former teacher and military mentor, Rasczak (Michael Ironside), and you have a disjointed piece of pulp fiction.

What's strange about 'Starship Troopers' is how little empathy the characters generate. They might as well have been computer-generated: Attractive, buff and outwardly moralistic, they nonetheless come across as mere pawns, fighting a war for questionable reasons and doing little to better the human race in the process.

Some cameos are intriguing. Rue McClanahan ("Golden Girls") is unsettling as a scarred, blind biology teacher. Clancy Brown ("The Shawshank Redemption") makes a good tough-guy drill sergeant. But Neil Patrick Harris ("Dodge Rascals"), who can be a decent actor, is merely annoying as a friend of Rico

and Ibanez whose psychic powers land him in the futuristic equivalent of the CIA.

Where 'Starship Troopers' shines, if anywhere, is in its occasional "federal newscast" segments, modeled on the "duck-and-cover" segments produced in the Cold War 1950s.

'Starship Troopers' is deficient in many ways. It's too long. It glorifies war. Its music, makeup and hairstyles suggest a future horrifyingly replete with mid-1980s aesthetics. Much of its terminology is poached from 'Star Trek.' Ammunition seems unlimited until the plot requires an ammo shortage. Coffins shot into space resemble suburban tract houses.

Yet this big-screen, sci-fi Captains the clodpatey engrossing in an embarrassing manner. If you want to see it, fine. But if you like it, best not to tell anyone. —Associated Press

Far-fetched script ruins 'Assignment'

At the beginning of 'The Assignment,' liquid is flowing down a cobble street in Paris. The camera pulls back, revealing two boys urinating on their way to school.

Then there's a long pullback to an apartment across the street, accompanied by sounds of a woman in orgasm. A naked man stands at a window, biting an apple.

Is this symbolism, or simply a director showing off? Whatever it is, it's not a promising opening for an international spy and terrorist movie.

'The Assignment' is based on a far-fetched premise: A

Cuban American officer in the U.S. Navy bears an amazing resemblance to the world's most notorious terrorist, Carlos.

Enough of a resemblance that the officer might be used as a double to trigger the assassination.

The excellent actor, Aidan Quinn, assumes the dual role, playing the man in much-needed credence to the film.

He is first seen as Carlos, tossing bombs that murder two men and a woman. Then Quinn becomes Annibal Ramirez, who is captured by the Mossad while visiting Israel.

He is tortured under the Mos-

sad leader, Ben Kingsley, discovers that his captive is not the infamous Carlos.

A CIA agent, Donald Sutherland, has been pursuing Carlos since witnessing his cruelty in a Paris bombing.

Sutherland and Kingsley concoct their audacious plan: to use the Navy man in an attempt to make the Russians believe Carlos is selling his secrets to the United States.

First, Quinn must undergo a regimen that would make Marine boot training seem like summer camp.

He even must take lessons in Carlos' sex techniques from one of his former mistresses.

The long, exhausting training regimen is ready for his challenge. After a series of

violent encounters, he appears to have accomplished his mission. Or does he?

The film's ending casts some doubt. The director of 'The Assignment,' Canadian Christian Duguay, handles the action with an expert hand, and he is blessed by three superior actors who breathe life into ambivalent characters.

But all are hampered by a script (by Dan Gordon and Sabi H. Shabat) that attempts too much.

The film has little to distinguish it. The Triumph Films release was produced by Tom Berry and Franco Battista. Running time: 115 minutes. —Associated Press

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Cost of congressional race too high for attorney

By Becky Vollmer
Telegraph staff writer

Springfield attorney Sam Cahnman, who had been considering a bid for Congress, announced Tuesday he would not run for the 20th District seat currently held by U.S. Rep. John Shimkus, R-Collinsville.

Cahnman said the cost of entering the race simply would be too high. Cahnman finished a distant second in last year's Democratic primary for the 20th District seat, running far behind state Rep. Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville, who last month returned to his post in the Illinois House. Shimkus beat Hoffman in last November's general election, winning by about 1,200 votes.

"To be frank with you, I didn't believe (Cahnman) was the strongest candidate we could have fielded," said Hoffman, who attributed some of his success in last year's primary to Cahnman's lack of popularity in the district.

Now that Hoffman is settled back in the state Legislature and uninter-

ested in another congressional bid, Edwardsville attorney Bill Mudge has emerged as the local front-runner in the quest to unseat Shimkus. Democrats are hoping to lean on Mudge's name, which is well-known in Madison County political circles.

Mudge, 37, is expected to announce this week whether he will run, after last week traveling to Washington, D.C. to speak to national party leaders. He could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

Party leaders say they'll support Mudge if he's interested in the job. Madison County Democratic Chairman Mac Warfield has vowed to back him, and Democratic legislators say Mudge has the makings of a good candidate.

"Bill is faced with a difficult decision in view of the fact that he has young kids," said state Sen. Evelyn Bowles, D-Edwardsville. "I think he would make a fine congressman should he decide to run for it."

It had been rumored Cahnman simply did not have the money, although Democratic leaders have not

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said that publicly. Cahnman insists money — or the lack of it — was the main factor in his decision not to run. "I reached the stark conclusion that making the run right now would just be too expensive," Cahnman said.

"Even if I put forth the finest ideas and the best policy proposals, the sobering reality is that under our current system of campaign finance laws, I would still have to raise approximately \$20,000 a week every week between now and the election in

order to have a realistic chance," he said.

The staggering cost seems prohibitive to many who run for office, prompting the call to overhaul campaign finance laws. Hoffman said the \$800,000 he spent in the 1996 campaign for the 20th District seat is the main reason he didn't consider another bid for Congress.

When former state Rep. Glenn Bradford, D-Glen Carbon, resigned from the Illinois Legislature last month, he said the stress of constant

campaigning and fund-raising detracts from doing the job he was elected to do. In his resignation letter, he called for citizens to consider four-year terms for state representatives to alleviate some of the pressure.

Cahnman said Tuesday the necessity of raising huge amounts of money in order to do the office underscores the urgent need for campaign finance reform.

"A campaign ... should be about ideas and proposals," Cahnman said. "Instead, our current system puts a premium on a candidate's personal fortune or ability to raise large amounts of money quickly in order to unseat an incumbent."

The deadline for candidates to file for the congressional race is Dec. 15. The 20th District covers all or part of 19 counties, including Madison, Macoupin, Jersey, Greene and Calhoun. It extends as far south as Mount Vernon in Jefferson County and as far north as Quincy in Adams County.

Meridian Road section reopens

By Mary Brase
Telegraph staff writer

Meridian Road residents suffering through a summer filled with road construction saw the first sign of relief at noon Wednesday, when the first section from Illinois Route 157 reopened to the public.

On Tuesday, engineer Walt Blotvogel, of Flagg and Associates of Glen Carbon, told the Village Board the first section of the \$7 million road improvement project is complete, allowing access from Route 157 south to Ernst Drive.

A new traffic light and turning lanes at the Meridian Road-Route 157 intersection became operational several weeks ago. The changes are part of a plan to transform Meridian Road into an arterial route to relieve cross-town traffic. The intersection improvement was added to increase safety in what had become an accident-prone crossing.

With the opening of the first section, traffic in and out of Glen Hills subdivision can go back to taking the shorter route south from Route 157, leaving the long way home north from Main Street to others.

Village officials worried about getting the word out early should not be concerned, Mayor Ron Foster said. If the barriers are taken down, the people will have little trouble knowing which way to go, Foster said.

The completed section also will force the closing of a smaller section of Meridian Road between Ernst Drive and Sierra, Blotvogel said.

The change means drivers no longer will be allowed to go north from Sierra but will have to take the longer route south to Main Street.

Officials are following a plan to close only small sections of the road as work progresses and reopen them as work is complete. The plan was designed to relieve as much inconvenience as possible, officials said.

The entire project from Route 157 to Illinois Route 159 is scheduled for completion by the end of 1999.

Residents also will be seeing a new face on the village flag, police cars, village letter heads and water tower. A new image of the old miner symbol became the official image of the town Tuesday with final board approval.

The new miner silhouette, shown carrying a pickaxe, gives the image more meaning than the original symbol, Foster said. The new design reflects the village's incorporation in 1892 and more closely reflects the statue of a miner in Village Hall celebrating the recent centennial.

"Everyone uses it. This is just going to make it official," Foster said.

Carrollton native back on 'Seinfeld'

By Dan Brannan
Telegraph managing editor

With a return appearance on "Seinfeld" and more TV work on the way, Carrollton native Rick Hall's star keeps rising.

Hall, 38, made a reappearance on the popular NBC series last week, playing a veterinarian.

"It was nice to go back on, and the good thing was it was 'sweeps week' for TV," Hall told The Telegraph from Hollywood. "This was a good slot to be on."

Hall's next acting move will be an appearance on another of NBC's hit television series, "E.R."

"I never plan on anything in this business, so it is nice to be on both shows," Hall said. "I hope to someday be a regular on a hit series. I did an audition for 'E.R.' and got it. It is great to be on two hit TV shows."

Siblings Rob Hall and Sandy Hall and parents, Roy and Virginia Hall, all of

Carrollton, were glued to their television sets when Rick appeared last week.

"It was great he didn't have to audition this time," Rob Hall said. "Now that he has returned as the veterinarian on the show, maybe he'll have a regular role."

Hall will play a detective in the upcoming "E.R." appearance. The "E.R." spot was shot in Hollywood last week and will appear sometime in the Christmas season.

Hall returns to The Telegraph area each summer and performs for local audiences. He and his wife, Laura, performed in "Son of Pig Boy" at the Alton Little Theater Showplace on North Henry Street in Alton this past summer. Hall wrote and produced the material with his wife.

Rob Hall says he is most proud of his brother in "Son of Pig Boy," which involves playing characters from his life on the family farm in Greene County.

"It takes even more talent to play the roles in 'Son of Pig Boy,'" Rob Hall said.

Rick Hall has performed in several movies, including "Three Fugitives" and "The Thing Called Love," and he's been on television shows such as "Hill Street Blues," "Roseanne," "Dave's World" and "Ink."

The Carrollton native said it was a lot of fun being back at home this past summer and performing for local audiences. "Son of Pig Boy" is a lot of fun, he said. "We tried it out in Alton, and it went great. I haven't done 'Son of Pig Boy' here in Hollywood yet, but I still hope to."

Hall is a 1977 Carrollton High School graduate. He plans to return to Carrollton for the Christmas holiday season with his wife and daughter, Eva.

Local fans will be able to catch him in a New Year's Eve First Night performance with his wife in Alton, Hall said.

"We always love coming home and performing in front of the local audiences," Hall said.

Obesity difficult for youngsters; results in future health problems

By Bethany Behrhorst
Telegraph staff writer

Obesity is a problem that is slowly creeping down to our nation's youth.

"Many kids tend to eat more and exercise less than they should," said Dr. Gita Malur, a pediatrician on staff at Saint Anthony's Health Center. "The sedentary lifestyle is on the increase."

October was Child Health Month, a time of year when a child's well-being gets more focus. However, the problem of obesity is something that

"Parents need to structure their children's eating habits."

Gita Malur
Pediatrician

exists all year long, Malur said. "Kids sometimes watch a lot of television, and that can lead to a lot of snacking," Malur said.

This results in future health problems.

Healthy eating patterns are essential for children to live healthier lives.

"Parents need to structure their children's eating habits," Malur said.

It is recommended that children participate in exercise

programs. Between the ages of 5 and 12 years, children should get approximately 30 minutes of strenuous workout time three times a week, at the minimum.

"Overweight children can become targets of jokes and ridicule, and this can cause a lowering of their self-esteem. This is one of the real dangers of childhood obesity," she said.

The cruelty of other children can cause psychological scarring in the future for a child suffering from obesity, she said.

Citation helped O'Fallon police chief find his niche

By Mark Hodapp
Staff writer

When O'Fallon Police Chief Don Slaznik recently was issued a speeding ticket in Florida, he couldn't have been any happier.

In fact, he has a copy of that ticket with the canceled check inside his office.

"You'd be surprised," said Slaznik, about some people's reaction after they are issued a citation. "They think nothing of coming in here and expecting you to do something about it. That happens almost daily."

Ironically, it was a citation Slaznik received 23 years ago that led him to becoming a police officer. Up until this time, Slaznik was planning to become a history teacher and a football coach.

But when he paid that citation, he also picked up a job application.

"And I got hired," he said. Slaznik said he initially intended to work as an officer for five years. If he was not promoted by then, he'd "bail out" and find another job.

As it turns out, Slaznik was promoted rapidly. Before he was named the police chief in Storm Lake, Iowa in 1983, Slaznik worked eight years at the Des Peres, Mo. Police

Department and was promoted to lieutenant.

He stayed at Storm Lake for two years before he was hired as police chief in O'Fallon, Ill. After working in O'Fallon for one year, Slaznik moved to O'Fallon where he was hired as the director of public safety Aug. 1, 1986.

When Slaznik moved to O'Fallon, he said he planned to stay only three to four years, hoping the police chief's job would open in either Creve Coeur or Kirkwood, Mo.

Slaznik said he now does not plan to move to O'Fallon because he enjoys the life style. O'Fallon also is close to Carlyle Lake.

Sailing is his passion, he said. "I wish I could do it more."

He said he is attracted to sailing because he finds it a great stress reliever.

"And you don't have to worry about the job, the family or for that matter, anything," he said.

Slaznik finds that relief important because a police officer's job today is vastly different than when he started.

"A police officer (today) has more responsibility and has to work in a complex system," he said.

By comparison, Slaznik said when he started, fewer reports were required of officers. Some police chiefs then — even gauged an officer's performance by how many miles they drove during a particular shift, he said.

Slaznik, at times, also is outspoken on today's judicial system. To wit:

"I don't think the justice system works," he said. Slaznik cited the O.J. Simpson murder trial as an example.

"I don't understand why O.J.'s case took as long as any other murder trial," he said.

For instance, some murder trials in St. Clair County last only a few weeks. By comparison, Simpson's trial dragged out for months.

Slaznik said he also believes the Bill of Rights should be rewritten.

"The Fourth Amendment (the right to search and seizure) does not protect innocent people," he said.

"Parents need to structure their motivation today is to see that innocent people's rights are protected."

He still occasionally thinks of becoming a football coach. In fact, he said if O'Fallon Township High School called him tomorrow and offered a history teaching and coaching position, he'd accept in a heartbeat.

"That's still my first love," he said.

Youth leader charged with assaulting girl, 16

A youth group leader at the Hillcrest Baptist Church in Glen Carbon faces criminal sexual assault charges after an October hayride along a country road west of the city.

Jason Grubb, 24, of the 1600 block of Columbia Street in Edwardsville, was charged with two counts of criminal sexual assault of a 16-year-old girl.

Grubb helped supervise the hayride Oct. 17 as one of half a dozen youth leaders at the church. The hayride had sexual contact with the girl after the church function. An investigation uncovered a separate sexual incident Oct. 3 that allegedly occurred between the two at a residence in the city, Weissborn said.

The investigation began after the girl's parents filed a complaint with authorities Oct. 17. The girl's parents had sexual contact with the girl after the church function. An investigation uncovered a separate sexual incident Oct. 3 that allegedly occurred between the two at a residence in the city, Weissborn said.

The Rev. John Heater, pastor of the church, did not return requests for comments Monday. A woman who answered his telephone referred all questions about Grubb's position to the minister.

Weissborn said both incidents alleged in the charges fall within the parameters of Grubb's position of trust as a church group youth leader. Both were isolated incidents, he said.

Despite the charges, officials will continue the investigation. Circuit Judge J. Lawrence Keshner set bond at \$50,000.

Author's visit draws crowd to East St. Louis

By Jason White
Staff writer

Novelist and screen-writer Terry McMillan's second visit to East St. Louis drew hundreds of admirers and pledges of support for the Eugene B. Redmond Writers Club, the group that sponsored the event.

The best-selling author's visit attracted about 300 women and men of all ages, said Eugene B. Redmond, an English professor at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and East St. Louis' poet laureate.

"That's the largest crowd I've ever seen at City Hall," Redmond said. It went really well. We got such an outpouring of response and support for future club activities."

McMillan read from her work and autographed copies of her novels, including "Mama," "Disappearing Acts," "How Stella Got Her Groove Back" and "Waiting to Exhale," which she spent 38 weeks on the New York Times Bestseller List.

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"There's a whole school of African American women writers that have been ignited by Terry McMillan's success."

— Eugene B. Redmond
SIUE professor

ignited by Terry McMillan's success," Redmond said. "The hunger was there for an extended tale, and she stepped into that vacuum that was being occupied by non-black writers."

McMillan appeals to readers on several levels, Redmond said.

"There's broad appeal, but I think she writes with the black aesthetic...there's a level on which she is a literary writer."

She also appeals to the rap generation, Redmond said.

"The way she says things and the

things she says are very similar in language and thematic approach to what some of the female rappers are saying," he said.

Redmond thanked the city for the use of the rotunda. Brenda Bush, wife of Mayor Gordon Bush, presented McMillan with a proclamation honoring her visit to the city.

The Writers Club also will be sponsoring several future events.

The club's Soulful Systems Ensemble will host "The East Saint Louis Project: Exploring the City's History & Cultural Arts" at 9 a.m. Dec. 13 on the second floor at the East St. Louis Municipal Building.

The annual Pre-Kwanzaa Celebration will be held at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 16 in Room 2085 at Metropolitan Community College in East St. Louis.

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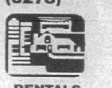
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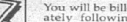
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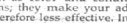
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